

PLEASANT VIEW PROCLAIMER

December 22, 2024

Welcome!



“Then Jesus told his disciples, ‘If anyone would come after Me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow Me. For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake will find it.’”

Join us this evening at 6pm for a lesson from Acts 16 on Paul and Silas’ response to imprisonment

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Prayer List

Mamie Hamilton had an epidural for her back pain

Randall Brinkley is slowly getting better at home

Kim Waller is recuperating at home from a fractured femur and ankle

Barbra McDonald (Sherrie Russell's mother) is doing well after her leg injury

Dick Chapman is doing well after heart surgery

Darinda Paul is in hospice care at home

Continue to pray for: **James Gupton, Hunter Crouch**, the **John Hayes** family, **Brian West** family, **Linda Demonbreun, Leigh Smith, Robert Williams, Ronnie Mayo, Rebecca Brown, Donnie Garrett, Forshia Pennington, Carol Saling, Camille Brosky**, those in **Ukraine**, and **Bill Gillock**

Reminder that we will not meet on Wednesday, December 25. Enjoy time with your family!

Serving Today

Song Leader:
Jeff Baker

SUNDAY SCHOOL (9:30 am)

Scripture Reading:
Charlie

Prayer:
Mike Reed

WORSHIP (10:30 am)

Scripture Reading:
Dwight Pennington
I Peter 5:6-11

Wait On Table:
David Billingsley

Serve:
Eddie Walker
Doug Demonbreun

Prayer:
Jared Roaden

Service Times

Sunday Bible Study	9:30 am
Sunday AM Worship	10:30 am
Sunday PM Worship	6:00 pm
Wednesday Bible Study	7:00 pm

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Faithful amid the Fire (Revisited)
1 Peter 5:6-11

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"at the proper time"
Our humility toward God must translate into patience for His timing
God's timing is not man's timing: 2Pe 3:1-13

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While we wait to receive our salvation, we will endure suffering
-1Pe 1:6, 3:14-17; 4:12-19

In those times, Peter exhorts us to:

- (1) Cast our anxieties on God
-Mt 6:25-34
-Ps 55:22
-Phil 4:6-7
- (2) Be sober minded and watchful
-1Pe 1:13; 4:7-11
-Mt 24:36-25:46
-Phil 2:12-13
- (3) Resist the devil
-Eph 6:10-20
-Jam 4:7
- (4) Know that others are also suffering for their faith
-1Co 10:13; 12:26

This ties directly with verse 5, where Peter exhorts those who are "younger" to "be subject to the elders" and for "all of you" to "clothe yourselves...with humility toward one another"

Humble yourselves, *therefore*, under the **mighty hand of God** so that *at the proper time* he may exalt

you, <- 1Pe 1:3-5 - Peter ends his letter where he started...with our salvation in Christ

⁽¹⁾ **casting** all your *anxieties* on **him**, because he cares for you.

⁽²⁾ **Be sober-minded; be watchful.** Your adversary **the devil** prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour.

⁽³⁾ **Resist him**, firm in your faith, ⁽⁴⁾ **knowing** that the **same kinds of suffering** are being experienced by your **brotherhood** throughout the world.

¹⁰ **And** after you have **suffered a little while**, the **God of all grace**, who has called you to his **eternal glory** in Christ, will himself **restore, confirm, strengthen**, and **establish** you.

¹¹ **To him** be the **dominion** forever and ever. Amen.

"To Him" God is worthy of all praise, glory, and honor for what He has done to save us through His Son!

"mighty hand of God"
God is all-powerful and it is folly for man to attempt to resist Him!
-Mt 23:12
In the OT, God's hand symbolizes...
Discipline
-Ex 3:19; 6:1;
-Job 30:21;
-Ps 32:4
Deliverance
-Dt 9:26;
-Eze 20:34

Salvation
Peter has emphasized our salvation throughout this letter. Faith in our future glory with God can sustain us through the trials of life

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"a little while"
This is intended as a summary of one's life on earth. Peter is not promising that our suffering will be short as we reckon time.

AND...Peter draws a sharp contrast between the work of the Devil and the work of God.
*While the devil seeks to "devour", all of God's works are to "restore" us to Him and bring us into His "eternal glory" in Christ.

Hold On
This final exhortation is to hold on, because the reward is going to be worth it. He emphasizes this by saying that "God...himself" will:

- Restore**
- Confirm**
- Strengthen**
- Establish**

...those whom He brings into His "eternal glory"
-Rom 8:18
-Jam 1:12