

SERMON NOTES

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ROMANS 8:15-17

For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father. The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God: And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with *him*, that we may be also glorified together.



WELCOME TO RESCUE BAPTIST CHURCH

“Sinners are welcome at this church. We are a local body of the Lord Jesus Christ. As you spend time with us, you’ll soon discover we’re an imperfect church, with an imperfect pastor, yet by God’s undeserved grace, we preach, believe, and know the perfect gospel of our never-failing Lord Jesus Christ. We call His name Jesus for He shall, (not might, not maybe) but shall save His people from their sins, and every sinner that trusts in Christ is complete in Him, saved to the uttermost” Hebrews 7:25 (copied)

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Sunday Morning Bible Study 10:00 AM
Sunday Morning Worship 11:00 AM
Friday Night Service 7:00 PM

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I AM A JEHOVAH WITNESS

The Jehovah Witnesses visited Pastor Paul Mahan recently. Upon determining who they were, he asked, "Do you know the meaning of or who Jehovah-Tsidkenu is?" They replied, "No!" He asked, "Then are you familiar with Jehovah-Jireh?" Again, they reply came, "No!" "How about Jehovah-Shalom and Jehovah-Nissi?" The answer was always "No!" Pastor Mahan said, "You are not witnesses of Jehovah; I AM A JEHOVAH WITNESS!" Strange how men will take to themselves religious titles, names, and slogans and not have the slight-est understanding of them! Thank God, "The Son of God is come, and hath given us an understanding, that we may know Him that is true, and we are in Him that is true, even in His Son, Jesus Christ. This is the true God, and eternal life" (I John 5:20).

~Henry Mahan

Satan’s Advantage

“To whom ye forgive anything, I forgive also: for if I forgave any thing, to whom I forgave it, for your sakes forgive I it in the person of Christ; lest Satan should get an advantage of us: for we are not ignorant of his devices.” (II Cor. 2:11) If I harbor an unforgiving spirit, Satan has the advantage over me. An unforgiving spirit skews every other part of my life. I hurt myself in so many ways, and I am under Satan’s influence. By grace, the only way to fight this is to forgive! And the only way to forgive is to see how Christ has forgiven you! ~Todd Nibert

ANNOUNCEMENT

- Lord willing, we will come immediately following this morning message to the Lord’s Table

BUYER’S REMORSE

I saw where someone wrote a book on the “de-churching” of America. They attempted to explain why fewer people are going to church today. Of all the causes they gave, I believe they missed one big reason: Buyer’s Remorse. Any company that oversells and under delivers will eventually go out of business. The so-called “Church” today is promising what they cannot deliver. They promise health, wealth, and happiness. They present God as a part of man’s self-help plan to a better life. Most people’s circumstances don’t really change much when they “get religion”. They soon become disenchanted with the hype and quit.

The Lord, and His faithful under shepherds, never make such empty promises. To the contrary, we tell men up front that coming to Christ will add to their troubles in this world. In addition to all the common trials of life, you will have the daily struggle with an old man you never knew you had before. Added to that, the world will hate you. The promise: Life Eternal, and that He has, is and will deliver.

~Greg Elmquist

ACCEPT OR RECEIVE

Nowhere in the word of God do we find this most common religious catchphrase, "Accept Jesus as your personal savior." Nowhere does it say that the Lord of all the universe is up for acceptance or rejection by mere mortals. Nowhere does it say that the sovereign Creator of all things needs to be accepted by the creature.

You see . . . We are on trial . . . Not God! We are the ones that will be either accepted or rejected, according to the will and pleasure of him who made us. It is God who must accept us "*in the beloved*." Accepting something or someone implies the ability to accept or reject. Man, who is dead in sins, cannot accept but can only reject that which is true and good. "*The natural man receiveth not the things of God, for they are foolishness to him; neither can he...*" (I Cor. 2:14).

The Scriptures do, however, speak of us receiving Christ (John 1:12-13). But there is a big difference in receiving something and accepting it. Receiving implies that a gift has been bestowed upon you. The gift of God’s grace in Christ is unmerited favor bestowed upon you. All to whom God grants this unspeakable gift are made willing in the day of his power to receive it. They are made to see the irresistible beauty of Christ, and their desperate need of him, and humbly and gladly receive Him. Even their calling upon him, and asking for him, are God’s gracious gifts (Romans 2:4). One cannot glory in receiving a gift, for "*a man can receive nothing except it be given him from above*" (John 3:27). The glass cannot glory for receiving the water that is poured into it.

Those who say they have accepted Jesus do not know and have not received the Lord Jesus Christ and are not saved. For that is not the language of scripture nor of any child of God. The language of scripture and the testimony of every child of God is this: "*We have received mercy and grace from our God through the Lord Jesus Christ.*" ~Paul Mahan