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Sunday Worship Assembly 9:30 AM
Sunday Bible Classes (All Ages) 11:00 AM
Wednesday Adult Bible Class 1:30 PM
Wednesday Bible Classes (All Ages) 7:00 PM



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Paul and Luke Go Sailing

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Paul was known for his Spirit inspired letters written to Christians throughout the New Testament that continue to motivate even to this day. He preached Jesus and Him crucified and would ultimately give his life in service to the King of Kings. There is one message that Paul could have kept to himself, but did not. It was certainly a message of hope and in a sense salvation that had nothing to do with baptism into Christ.

In Acts 27, Paul's voyage to Rome begins. Luke is with him as well as Aristarchus from Thessalonica. Paul had found favor with the centurion in charge named Julius. He allowed Paul to receive care from his friends as well as companionship on the long trip to Italy. Strong winds and winter weather made travel this time of year very dangerous. Paul knew all about shipwrecks and wanted to avoid another one. The wind was so tempestuous it had a name—Euroclydon (a storm from the East). Paul warns, ***Men, I perceive that this voyage will end with disaster and much loss, not only of the cargo and the ship, but also our lives.***

The conditions were dreary; no sunshine, no stars, constant beating of the waves and severe winds. They threw the ship's tackle overboard; the skiff overboard, and the wheat as well. They were certainly doing all they could to survive. All hope was lost. Or was it?

Paul was used to sharing a message of hope and peace in Christ. In this instance, the situation looked like certain physical death. ***Do not be afraid Paul; you must be brought before Caesar; and indeed, God has granted you all those who sail with you (verse 24).*** Paul must be hearing and seeing things. After all, he hasn't eaten in 14 days. The constant movement of the ship finally went to his head. Certainly not!

One of God's angels delivered a message of hope and physical salvation. Paul could have kept this to himself, but shared the good news. Then he proclaimed to the others, ***I believe God that it will be just as it was told to me.*** How does it all end? Just as God said. Paul was not harmed; none of the 276 on board were hurt; only the ship was lost.

We could certainly make application about the storms of life and getting thru trials with the help of God and all of those would be appropriate. But what about the message?

Paul declared do what God said and you shall live. Paul said there is hope and salvation in obeying God's instructions. Paul said the things of this life will perish, but you don't have to. Sound familiar?

How sad it would have been if Paul kept this message to himself either in the ship or in his Christian walk. That would have been the tragedy. What about you and me? Do we have a message of hope that can save man from spiritual death? Don't we have a message that brings hope and peace and joy to a dark world? Of course we do. It's called the Gospel. Go ye and share it today!!

For from you the word of the Lord has sounded forth. 1 Thessalonians 1:8

THE PLAN OF SALVATION PART 2

Life of Jesus

- I. His Birth- Isaiah 7:14, Matthew 1:1-7, 18-25, John 1:1,14, Isaiah 9:6-7
- II. His Forerunner- Isaiah 40:3, Malachi 4:5, Matthew 3:1-3, Mark 1:4, John 1:19-37, Matthew 11:11-14
- III. His Ministry- John 17:5, Matthew 4:1-11, John 20:30-31, Matthew 4:17, Mark 3:14-19, John 7:1,6,8
- IV. His Death- Matthew 26:17-18, 26-29, 27:1-61, 1 Peter 1:18-19, Hebrews 9:15-17
- V. His Resurrection- 1 Corinthians 15:1-9, Acts 1:3, Hebrews 2:14, Romans 4:25, 1:3-4, 1 Peter 1:3

Worship Service

Announcements

Song: 971 Restore My Soul

Song: 500 O Thou Fount of Every Blessing (Vs. 1, 3)

Prayer

Song: 742 When I Survey the Wondrous Cross (Vs. 1, 2, 3, 5)

Lord's Supper and Contribution

Song: 421 Love Lifted Me (Vs. 1, 3)

Song: 315 I'll Live in Glory

Scripture Reading: Hebrews 10:11-14

Sermon

Song: 262 I Bring My Sins to Thee

Song: 842 A common Love

Prayer

Hebrews 10:11-14

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Hebrews 10:11-14 (NKJV)

- ¹¹ And every priest stands ministering daily and offering repeatedly the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins.
- ¹² But this Man, after He had offered one sacrifice for sins forever, sat down at the right hand of God,
- ¹³ from that time waiting till His enemies are made His footstool.
- ¹⁴ For by one offering He has perfected forever those who are being sanctified.

Why Worship?

But the hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth; for the Father is seeking such to worship Him. John 4:23