

A TIME OF REFLECTION

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On July 13 we nearly watched another political assassination in our country. Even the media, generally averse to anything spiritual, called it the miracle grace of God that Donald Trump was shot in the ear and not in the brain. As you can imagine, those who market politicians had posters and online ads running within hours (or minutes). And during his RNC convention speech, Donald Trump seemed appropriately subdued.

Joseph Biden and the Democratic Party immediately pulled their aggressive commercials labeling Donald Trump as a threat to Democracy and the second coming of Adolph Hitler. By Thursday night, July 18, all of the media sources and networks had Joe Biden being pressured to step aside as a continuing candidate for president. Even Barack Obama, who talked Biden out of running for president in 2016, was making public statements suggesting that Biden should step down.

Why should this matter to those of us who came to church today to worship God and to hear from Him? Why should it have mattered if Moses followed God's call and led Israel out of Egypt? Or Joshua followed Moses and took the Israelis into "the Promised Land?" Or David waited for 14 years to be recognized as Israel's king. Or Daniel served three leaders of Persia? ***It matters because God has a plan to rescue His people from the evil in our world.***

Does it look like God's being successful? At first glance, no, it doesn't. Another glance makes us wonder if He actually cares who leads our world and why. One of the well-written T-shirts being worn today says: "***I kneel before one Man and He died on the cross***".

Nothing else we can say will ever top that. Joshua 1:9 (Amplified Bible):

Have not I commanded you? Be strong, vigorous, and very courageous. Be not afraid, neither be dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go.

Welcome!

August 4th, 2024



"The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I have come so they can have life. I want them to have it in the fullest possible way."

SERVICES

Sunday Morning Worship: 10:30 AM
Unity in Prayer & Youth: 6:00 – 7:00 PM
Wednesday – Bible Study: 7:00 PM; Kid's Club
Prayer ½ hour before services

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Wednesday Bible Study – we continue our new study, “The Great Disappearance” – Rapture of the church, taken from Dr. David Jeremiah’s study. We have student study guides available for \$10 each. Please see the Pastor for more details.

Flagging Class – suspended until further

notice.

Save The Date! Annual VBS will be on August 19th through the 23rd, 6 – 9 P.M. We need volunteers for this vital week. We will have a sign-up sheet on the table in the foyer for you to indicate when you are able to help. God will richly bless you as you invest in the lives of children.

Month Of Prayer – the Assemblies of God nationwide has proclaimed August a month of prayer. Let’s join the 100’s of thousands who will be calling out on God. On the table in the foyer is a brochure to help us pray. Please take one and join in turning our nation back to God.

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TEXT: John 5:1-15

I. A _____ REACTION

Jesus will have no part in this _____ pool!
John 4:10-14

They had the precious _____ of a loving God who had made _____ to heal them all. Exodus 15:25-26; Psalm 103:2-5; Isaiah 57:16-18; Jeremiah 17:14; John 9:2-3

They were waiting for the _____ thing! Psalm 130:5-6; 62:1-2, 5-6; Hebrews 4:13

II. A _____ QUESTION

They have been _____ and murmuring for so long, it has become an _____.

Those who refuse to turn to the Lord turn _____!

III. A _____ SOLUTION

Jesus had come to him in his _____ and sorrow – and _____ was about to spring forth!

A Word of _____ hope had come to him!

This beautiful story is a true revelation of the loving _____ of God for all who _____! John 5:19-20

It was God’s _____, God’s _____ – God’s _____, to make this man completely whole. John 7:17; Psalm 18:6; 106:43-45; 107:17-21

We can be sure that a cry to God from the heart will _____ be answered by the coming forth of a _____ Word from heaven! 2 Kings 21:1-16; 2 Chronicles 33:9-10; 33:12-13

_____ His Word, _____, then rise – _____ with the Lord and be made _____!