

Morning Worship

January 7, 2018

Welcome and Fellowship		Allan/People
Hymn # 361	<i>We Have Come into His House</i>	Don/People
Worship Prayer		Allan Lane
Hymn # 524	<i>We're Marching to Zion</i>	Don/People
Hymn # 521	<i>On Jordan's Stormy Banks</i>	Don/People
Offering Prayer		Fred Kerns
Tithes and Offerings		People
Offering Music		Marcia Hart
Hymn # 537	<i>I Will Sing the Wondrous Story</i>	Don/People
Children's Worship		(Children are dismissed)
Scripture Reading	1 Peter – Selected Scriptures	Allan/People
Morning Message	<i>Living in a Secular World</i>	Allan Lane
Hymn # 281	<i>Speak to My Heart</i>	Don/People
Prayer Concerns		Allan/People
Chorus # 95	<i>Go Tell It on the Mountain</i>	Don/People

JANUARY BIBLE STUDY 2018 PREACHING GUIDE

Since we experienced icy weather in Saint Joseph on this day, and our attendance was low, we decided to postpone our celebration of the Lord's Supper until next week. Rather than use the sermon prepared for the Lord's Supper, Bro. Allan shared the following sermon outline from the January Bible Study materials. It gives an introduction to 1 Peter, the New Testament book to be studied this year. Next Sunday we will hopefully have the Lord's Supper.

People today identify with the problems encountered by people in Peter's era and the practical solutions offered by Scripture. This introductory sermon gives an overview of the epistle to encourage people who need hope in difficult days.

Sermon Title: Living as Strangers in a Secular World

Text: Various passages in 1 Peter

Focus: Peter's words to persecuted Christians flow through the centuries to modern believers living in a secular world.

Introduction:

Are you experiencing problems because of your faith? You're not alone. Peter wrote to believers experiencing persecution. His principles apply today as they did 2,000 years ago. In the midst of suffering, Christ offers ...

1. The Encouragement of Hope

- A. It's a Living Hope (1:3)
- B. It's a Lasting Hope (1:13)
- C. It's a Loving Hope (1:21-23)
- D. It's a Legitimate Hope (3:15-17)

2. The Example of Himself

- A. An Example of Suffering (2:21-25; 3:18)
- B. An Example of Submission (2:13-15,23-24)

3. The Evidence of Holiness

- A. Evidence of Identity as God's Children (1:14-16)
- B. Evidence of Inhabitation as God's Household (2:4-6)
- C. Evidence of Inclusion as God's People (2:9-10)
- 4. The Exhortation of Humility
 - A. Humble Toward One Another (3:8)
 - B. Humble Toward Leaders (5:5)
 - C. Humble Toward God (5:6)

New Year's: Resolutions or Revelation?

Once again God has allowed us to see another New Year. It's not because we've been so good, but because He is so gracious and kind. When you think about how the Lord has heard and answered your prayers, guided your paths, and blessed you over the past year it should make you feel revived, redeemed, and want to give your neighbor a "high five!"

New Year's is a time when people all over the world are making resolutions to spend more time with their family, halt bad habits they should have stopped years ago, etc. But the end result of many of our resolutions is failure. Time and time again we pledge to ourselves and to those we love to do better, only to fail which leads to us simply giving up. But the reason our resolutions fail is because resolutions are self-imposed, self-willed, and self-propelled ideas that do not include the presence or the power of God. What we really need are not more resolutions but a New Year's *Revelation*. Honestly, the best revelations come from God through the Scriptures that are divinely inspired for us by Him. A revelation contains God's plan and purpose for your life.

In Psalm 1 the psalmist provides us with a spirit-filled revelation that will guide us into 2018. He starts with the idea of blessing. Being blessed in the general sense connotes something that God does for us. But to the psalmist it is also something he knows he must do for himself. He says that the blessed man watches the company he keeps. He mentions three groups of people – the ungodly, the sinner, and the scornful. The ungodly are those who sin knowingly and feel no conviction. The sinners are those who openly sin and don't care who finds out. The scornful are those who sin and encourage others to join them. Look through your contact list on your cell phone or your Facebook friends list. Is there anyone who fits one or more of those three categories? Perhaps it's time to delete them. If you hang around with wolves you will eventually begin to howl. Read what Paul said in 2 Corinthians 6:17. It sounds harsh, but we must choose to bless ourselves by not walking, standing, or sitting with people who mean us no good.

Psalm 1 also tells us we must saturate ourselves with the divine principles of God's Word. The Psalmist says the blessed man delights himself in the law of the Lord. This word delight doesn't just mean you like what you like. We delight in oxygen, because without it we can't stay alive. We delight in eyesight, because without it we couldn't see. Likewise, we delight in the Word of God because without it we cannot survive spiritually. We should meditate on it day and night.

Lastly, this psalm tells us we are to be planted in the right place. We are not to be just any volunteer sapling that springs up, but intentionally and carefully planted in a chosen spot where we are positioned to receive plenty of spiritual nourishment and become fruitful. The storms of life may still blow your way, but because you're rooted in the Word of God, you are anchored in the life of Jesus Christ. And nothing will be able to stop, halt, or hinder what God is doing in your life in 2018.

God Bless You!

Bro. Allan

Opportunities For Service

Living out Your Spiritual Commitment . . . and Fulfilling Christ's Divine Plan

Sunday, January 7, 2018

Choir Rehearsal.....9:00 am

Sunday School.....9:15 am

Morning Worship.....10:30 am

Nursery: Volunteers as needed

Ushers: John Lewis, Gary Yarbrough, Joseph Coats, ? ? ? ?

Alternate: Larry McKahan

Evening Service 6:30 pm

Wednesday, January 10

Prayer Warriors10:00 am

Prayer / Bible Study.... 6:30 pm

Worship Team 7:30 pm

Sunday, January 14, 2018

Choir Rehearsal..... 9:00 am

Sunday School 9:15 am

Morning Worship.....10:30 am

Nursery: Volunteers as needed

Ushers: ? ? ? ?, Ken Nice, Fred Kerns, Don Sharp

Alternate: ? ? ? ?

New Year's Eve Service.....6:30 pm

Wednesday, January 17

Prayer / Bible Study6:30 pm

Worship Team 7:30 pm

Up-Coming Events.....

January 7, 2018 — Celebrate Lord's Supper, all loose monies in the offering plate will go to benevolence.

January 10 — Prayer Warriors 10 am

January 14 — Fellowship Dinner and Business Meeting

January 15 — Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

January 18 — Food Pantry Day

January 25 — BSU Meal

January 28 — Diversicare Service 2:30 pm

GROW Team

Commit to **GROW!** **Everyone make a contact!** Invite someone to Bible Study and Worship this week. ☺

Sunday Night

Please join us tonight, Sunday, January 7.

Wednesday Night Prayer and Bible Study

Come pray for the direction of our church. Also, we will begin a new Bible Study. Please plan to attend and pray at 6:30 pm.

Lottie Moon Christmas Offering

Thanks to the generous giving of our church we exceeded the International Missions offering goal of \$1,700.00. So far to date we have received \$1,721.00.

Lord's Supper Observance

Morning Worship
Today, Sunday, January 7

Benevolent Collection—all undesignated monies in the offering plate will go to local benevolence.

January Bible Study

CHRISTMAS CARD BOXES IN THE HALLWAY

We have removed the card mailboxes. Leftover cards will be either in your Sunday School room or the hall table.

Thank You

Hello, and thank you for your recent donation of canned goods to our food pantry.

*God Bless You,
Maggie Wall*

*Patee Park Baptist Church
Food Pantry*

For the Record-

Attendance: December 31, 2017

Sunday School.....	17
Visitors.....	4
Total.....	21
Contacts Made.....	6
Morning Worship.....	18
Children's Worship.....	N/A
Christmas Eve.....	12
Wednesday Night	N/A

Financial Record:

Weekly Budget	\$ 2,286.39
Offering Received ...	\$ 1,244.00
Lottie Moon.....	\$ 1,721.00
Long Family-Dec.....	\$ 132.00

Offering Received by Mail:

January Counting Team:

John Lewis and Bill Schottel

January Van Driver:

George Burgess
Remember to call 232-3747
before 8 am if you need a ride.

January Member Birthdays:

01... Carol Helean
01... Marcia Hart
19... Juanita Haskins
22....Eric Thompson
24....Aubrey McCamy
27... Gary Yarbrough
28... Donna Dunn

January Anniversaries

Allan and Ellen Lane
Married January 2, 1983

Philip and Kelsey Lane
Married January 3, 2009

Prayer Requests ...

Family of Craig Beeman
Betty Campbell—pneumonia
Peggy & Gary Fewins—Peggy's health
Rick and Mary Bruntmeyer
Rachael & Erin Molloy and Family
Brigida Winans—heel surgery
Mike Green—knee recovery
Arlette Duty—carpal tunnel
Gina Harr—surgery recovery
Joe Coats—pacemaker
Don Beavers—heart and health
Curtis Conard—surgery in January
Emily Jones & baby
Chad Bradford—heart surgery
Cynthia Burdick—cancer recovery
Karissa and Matt Long and family
The Waters Family—guidance
Stephanie & Jason Terpack
Shawna Hughes—home isolation
Gary and Sharon Yarbrough
Larry Danner—cancer
Rosella Davis—Flo Conard's sister
Mary Sharp's brother-in-law Jim
Bill Clinton—Don and Mae's son
Troy Griswold—cancer treatment
Lisa Bowers—Jack and Flo's daughter
LoLeta Middleton—strength
Elvera's daughter & daughter-in-law
Zella Davis —Doris Richardson's sister
Rev. A. B. Brown Betty Campbell
George Ferbert Kevin Duty
Ellen Blanton Lois Ulmer
Jim Winans Nellie Reynolds
Madeline Swink Ann Riddle
Kathryn Beavers Keon McKahan
Louanne Laurence Leona Reynolds
Jozy Winans Kenny Duty
Pat Means Buddy Means
Bill & Juanita Debbie Sands
Pat Puckett Judy Anderson
Brenda Burgess Roscoe Lane
Carolyn Houts Tim Izer
Nickolay Nazaruk, Peski 2 Church
David and Deborah Grace
Our Nation and Leaders
Our Military Service people
Today's Prayer Requests ...

Our Nation and our Leaders ...

Five More New Families...

