

Morning Worship

September 9, 2018

Pastor — Allan Lane

Organ ---

Worship Leader — Don Beavers

Piano — Alva Lou Schottel

As you enter for worship, please silence your cell phones.

(CCLI permit # 424692 covers all copyright song lyrics)

Scripture Reading	Galatians 1:3-5	Don/People
Hymn # 426	<i>Victory In Jesus</i>	Don/People
Worship Prayer		Allan Lane
Welcome and Fellowship		Allan/People
Chorus # 177	<i>There's Something About That Name</i>	Don/People
Missions Moment	<i>Partnership Missions</i>	
Hymn # 217	<i>Oh, How I Love Jesus</i>	Don/People
Hymn # 573	<i>Set My Soul Afire</i>	Don/People
Offering Prayer		Bill Schottel
Tithes and Offerings		People
Offering Music		
Children's Worship	(Children are dismissed)	
Scripture Reading		Allan/People
Message	<i>Missouri Missions</i>	Allan Lane
Hymn # 317	<i>Only Trust Him</i>	Don/People
Prayer Concerns		Allan/People
Closing Chorus # 217	<i>Oh, How I Love Jesus</i>	Don/People

Missouri Missions

1 Chronicles 29:1-20

In the midst of a chaotic world, King David found his joy and strength, not in himself but rather in His God and in the work God had called him to do. Our focus should be like David's. His focus was on God, the Lord and giver of life. David knew ...

1. ...Who Deserved the Credit .

Samuel wrote, "And David knew that the Lord had established him as king over Israel and had exalted his kingdom for the sake of his people Israel." (2 Samuel 5:12)

There's a blog about "who should get the credit." Listen to some of these popular opinions. One person wrote; "you know this phony god of yours has it good, it gets all the credit for everything good, and man gets all the credit for everything bad ... the best of both worlds." Another said; "I like to think that humans are responsible for good and bad deeds, not god or Satan as many would have you believe. As far as free will is concerned I like to think that we are masters of our destiny but who can say for sure?" Yet another; "Humans have saved other human's based on the advancement of technology and Science. Not Faith and Goodwill."

I venture to say 100 years from now, if the Lord's coming should tarry that long, very few will remember any of their names. But we remember King David. David understood something very important. Whether it's the doctor who has used his skill to perform a lifesaving operation or a farmer who plants a seed, David said "Wealth and honor come from You; You are the ruler of all things. In Your hands are strength and power to exalt and give strength to all" (1 Chronicles 29:12).

Johann Sebastian Bach was born into a musical family. But by the age of ten, both of his parents were dead. He was still determined to write music and write it for the glory of God so he did. Most everything he wrote was very Biblical. He was once

called the fifth evangelist, Matthew, Mark, Luke, John and Bach. At age 17 Bach became the organist at the church; and not long after was given charge of the entire music ministry. I am sure he had no idea that for the next 300 years we would still know his name and his music.

Ever wonder what you will be remembered for? What legacy will you leave? At the beginning of every authentic Bach manuscript one will find the letters "J.J." This stands for Jesu Java (Jesus help me). At the end of each original manuscript you will find the letters "S.D.G." This stands for Soli Deo Gloria (to the glory of God). What will your legacy be? At the end of your life what will others say of you? I hope they will say this, if I have done anything worth remembering – "to God be the glory."

When we get our hearts and minds focused, it will not be hard to understand and give credit to the Lord for every good thing that comes into our relationships, our ministries and our personal life.

2. ...Who Didn't Deserve any Praise .

Reread what David said in verse 14. How quick we are to take for granted the blessings that come from God. Remember what James tells us James 1:17. The problem that many of us have is the common thinking that everything must be earned and deserved: "Nobody does anything for you for nothing." Experience with this world tells us that we must deserve everything we get. It is a very difficult thing for us to come to the realization that we can never deserve God's blessings; we can only humbly accept and appreciate them, and be in awe of how good He is and how much He loves you.

We don't deserve the Lord's grace and forgiveness but we should praise God for His power, purpose, plan, provision, and promises. When we do so, He will elevate us with more of His enlightened blessings that are already ours in Christ (Ephesians 1:3).

3. ...Who Couldn't Take Any Shortcuts .

We like solutions to life's problems that save money, save time, save effort, avoid pain and increase success. We like other people to provide a quick way to solve our perceived problems, and we don't care much what the solution involves, as long as our problems get solved quickly and easily. While this may be a good way to look at daily tasks, it is a terrible way to grow as a believer in Jesus Christ.

David was a man after God's own heart. Paul wrote about this in Acts 13:22. Was David sinless in his life before the Lord? No, but the Scriptures affirm David's desire to do the will of God with all his heart. Though he faltered at times, the disposition of his heart was to give faithful service to the LORD, as Paul quoted the LORD as saying, "...do all My will."

We have in David perhaps the most complete picture the Bible gives of any character's faith and service before God. The Scriptures continually witness to his love for the Scriptures, desire to communicate with God, wisdom in serving the LORD, predisposition to do what is honorable (even under severe trial), and perpetual longing to praise the LORD.

David wrote about seeking the Lord's face (Psalm 27:8). Another psalmist penned information concerning God's choosing David (Psalm 78:70-72).

Look again at verse 17 in our text. Friend, we need to be people who are after God's own heart. We need to imitate the fervent desire for what is right in the sight of God. This should be true of every faithful child of God. Even David in his prayer prayed for that (1 Chronicles 29:18). Ask the Lord to help you to avoid any short cut thinking or actions in your relationships, ministries or personal lifestyle.

The Holy Spirit helped David succeed because he knew how to pray in ways that taught people about how to have a more intimate relationship with God.

In 1 Chronicles 29:10-14 David said Yours, O Lord, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the majesty and the splendor, for everything in heaven and earth is yours. Oh, how we need to learn how to pray in the power, in the perspective, in the pattern of David.

Conclusion

Remember the story of Peter walking on the water? Things were going great until he took his eyes off Jesus. While our country and maybe your life or homes may seem to be in miserable condition just like David, we also need to refocus, using Spiritual means to accomplish God's purpose for our lives. David prayed (1 Chronicles 29:17, 18). We must keep our eyes focused on the Lord.

Keep Your Eyes On Jesus!

Make the Leap

The Scripture tells us that God's thoughts are not our thoughts and His ways are not our ways (Isaiah 55:7-9). Because our knowledge is limited and our vision into the future is non-existent, sometimes we don't understand His ways. We don't see what He's doing. We just don't get it. So trusting Him when it doesn't look reasonable is very hard. But as we walk with Him, we get to look back upon our lives and see His hand moving. Looking back at hard times in my life, it's easier to see they were for my good. While going through each trial it seemed that the sooner I was rid of them the better. With closer examination God really knew what He was doing all along. He could have chosen an easier route for me. He could have made things go more simply or more smoothly. But because He did it the way He did it, it worked out better.

We must not allow our lack of knowledge or insight to turn us away from trusting Him. Trust in Him anyway, because you can believe that His directions for your life flow from His omniscience and His love for you.

God is all-powerful. Theologians call this "omnipotence." Jeremiah 32:17 says this: "'Ah, Sovereign LORD, you have made the heavens and the earth by your great power and outstretched arm. Nothing is too hard for you.'" Ephesians 3:20 says that He is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to His power that is at work within us. His power has no limits.

This matters to us because it means that if God tells you to do something, He'll make sure it can be done. It means He will enable you to accomplish His will. It means that He won't lead you anywhere that His power can't keep you. Does that mean that we will never fail? Does it mean that we will never mess up? Does it mean that we will never grow tired? No, it simply means that if God tells you to do something, He will make sure that you have enough strength to do it. The Bible says He can keep you from falling. So when we fall, the problem is not God's; it is ours. It was that we ran out of our strength, but most certainly God did not run out of His. In fact, often, the best way to find God is when we run out of our own strength, and there He is, eager to help us.

Picture walking with Jesus, your spiritual journey – as a child perched on a diving board. The child knows that to do what his burning heart is telling him to do, there must be a leap into the unknown. The child also knows there are some risks and some fears building up to this leap into the unknown. When God places a burning in your heart to take a risk, what will you do?

The neat thing is, if God is calling us to jump off the diving board, then He's going to be there, waiting for us, in the water, with His arms open wide. Because He is love, you can believe that His will is always best. And because He is all-knowing, you can believe that His directions for you to jump into His arms are right and good. And because He is all-powerful, you can believe that He is strong enough to hold you when you obey Him.

But understand ... you still have to jump. My prayer is that we dive right in to a life of knowing God, following Jesus, and walking in the Holy Spirit.

God Bless You!

Bro. Allan

Opportunities For Service

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

Sunday, September 9, 2018

Sunday School 9:15 am

Morning Worship.....10:30 am

Nursery: Volunteers as needed

Ushers: Larry McKahan, Bill Schottel

Ken Kirkpatrick, ? ? ? ?

Alternate: Ken Nice

Evening Service.....6:30 pm

Wednesday, September 12

Prayer Warriors.....10:00 am

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

Worship Team 7:30 pm

Fri./Sat., September 14-15

Disaster Relief Training at

Green Valley Baptist Church

Sunday, September 16, 2018

Sunday School.....9:15 am

Morning Worship.....10:30 am

Nursery: Volunteers as needed

Ushers: ? ? ? ?, Ken Nice

Fred Kerns, Don Sharp

Alternate: ? ? ? ?

Business Meeting and Dinner at Noon

No Evening Service.....

Wednesday, September 19

Prayer / Bible Study ...6:30 pm

Worship Team 7:30 pm

Up-Coming Events.....

September 12 — Prayer Warriors 10 am

September 14-15 NW Disaster Relief Training

September 16 — Business Meeting and Dinner

September 16-23 Week of Prayer for Missouri Missions

September 23 — SJBA Annual Meeting 4:00 pm

September 26 — See You At the Pole

GROW Team

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

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Sunday Night

We *will* have Sunday night services tonight. Please join us as we study God's Word.
Don't miss it!

Wednesday Night Prayer and Bible Study

Prayer is such a vital part of everything a church does. Please come as we pray for the direction of our church. Hope to see you this Wednesday at 6:30 pm.

Disaster Relief Training

September 14-15, 2018

Green Valley

Baptist Church

For more information check the hall bulletin board or see Bro. Allan.

Business Meeting and Carry-In Dinner

We will have our regular business meeting and carry in meal immediately following the morning worship service September 16.

Reuben L. South Week of Prayer for Missouri Missions

September 16-23

"Everything comes from You, and we have given You only what comes from Your hand." Chronicles 29:14b

Saint Joseph Baptist Association Annual Meeting

September 23, 2018

4:00 pm

Journey Baptist Church

This annual meeting will have a shortened business meeting with video reports. The emphasis for the evening will be on all our churches worshiping and praising God together. Journey is providing a meal following the Worship Gathering. All church elected messengers should attend but everyone is welcome to join us as we worship God together.

For the Record-

Attendance: September 2, 2018

Sunday School.....	29
Visitors.....	4
Total.....	33
Contacts Made.....	11
Morning Worship.....	40
Sunday Night.....	N/A
Children's Worship	3
Wednesday Night	12

Financial Record:

Weekly Budget \$ 2,286.39
Offering Received ... \$ 4,151.00
Long Family –August... \$ 105.00
MMO \$ 465.00

Offering Received by Mail:

September Counting Team:.

Larry McKahan and Mike Green

September Van Driver:

George Burgess

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

September Birthdays:

05...Nellie Reynolds
12...Grant Schottel
20...Elmer Mayse
20...LoLeta Middleton
20...Tim Waters
22...Rachael Molloy
23...Kenny Kirkpatrick
29...Lindsey Mayse

September Anniversaries

Al and Karen Shirley
September 26, 2009

Prayer Requests ...

Mike Green—recovery
Brendan Conner—Swymeler's Grandson
Ruth Anne Bush—healing
Sharri Duty—Jerry Garcia
Kenny Kirkpatrick
Mary Sharp—back surgery recovery
Linda Huff—surgery recovery
Jim Winans—surgery recovery
June Fritchle—recovery
Sandy and Stanley Wilson
Marcia and Don Hart—blessings
Arlette Duty—strength
Donna and Bill Dunn—health
Jack and Flo Conard
Peggy & Gary Fewins—Peggy's health
Randy and Gina Harr—new pastorate
Tammy Panning, Emily Jones & Liam
Cynthia Burdick—cancer recovery
Karissa and Matt Long and family
Stephanie & Jason Terpack
Shawna Hughes—recovery
Rosella Davis—Flo Conard's sister

Mary Sharp’s brother-in-law Jim
Bill Clinton—Don and Mae’s son
Lisa Bowers—Jack and Flo’s daughter
LoLeta Middleton—strength
Zella Davis —Doris Richardson’s sister
The Waters Family Betty Campbell
George Ferbert Kevin Duty
Nellie Reynolds Ann Riddle
Don Beavers Tim Izer
Kathryn Beavers Keon McKahan
Jozy Winans Kenny Duty
Pat Means Buddy Means
Bill & Juanita Debbie Sands
Pat Puckett Curtis Conard
Brenda Burgess Roscoe Lane
Carolyn Houts
Nickolay Nazaruk, Peski 2 Church
David and Deborah Grace
Our Nation and Leaders
Our Military Service Women and Men
Terrorism in our world

Today’s Prayer Requests ...

Our Nation and our Leaders ...

Five More New Families...
