Vol. 56 No… 4 **Upcoming Events!**

**April 1 –** LTC Banquet following our 5:00 evening services. Bring sandwiches, chips, dip & drinks. We’ll have our First Sunday Fellowship on the 2nd Sunday this month!

**April 8 –** First Sunday Fellowship after morning services. Bring your favorite foods and join in the fun. Evening services will be at 1:00 p.m.

**April 15 –** Elders/Deacons Meeting at 3:30 p.m. If you have anything you need discussed, please give it to one of the elders.

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**We extend our sincere sympathy to Robert Killough on the loss of his mother and to Paul Payne on the loss of his sister.**

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**To Renee Elmore on being selected “Best Principal”!**

16) How does Isaiah’s prophecy contrast the spiritual condition of the earth with that of God’s redeemed people in these verses of this book?

17) What are the purposes for which God’s Anointed was sent into the world in these first three verses?

18) What great event was Isaiah watching and praying on behalf of Israel for, according to verse one?

19) How does Isaiah describe the figure seen approaching Jerusalem in verse one?

20) Who did God say that He had revealed Himself to in verse one of this book?

21) Why is humankind presumptuous to think of building a house for God in this book?

**Scripture Reading Plan for April 2018**

April 2 Isaiah 45, 45, 46

April 3 Isaiah 45, 46, 47

April 4 Isaiah 46, 47, 48

April 5 Isaiah 47, 48, 49

April 6 Isaiah 48, 49, 50

April 7 Isaiah 49, 50, 51

April 9 Isaiah 50, 51, 52

April 10 Isaiah 51, 52, 53

April 11 Isaiah 52, 53, 54

April 12 Isaiah 53, 54, 55

April 13 Isaiah 54, 55, 56

April 16 Isaiah 55, 56, 57

April 17 Isaiah 56, 57, 58

April 18 Isaiah 57, 58, 59

April 19 Isaiah 58, 59, 60

April 20 Isaiah 59, 60, 61

April 23 Isaiah 60, 61, 62

April 24 Isaiah 61, 62, 63

April 25 Isaiah 62, 63, 64

April 26 Isaiah 63, 64, 65

April 27 Isaiah 64, 65, 66

April 30 Isaiah 65, 66, 66

**Questions:**

1) Who did God “anoint” to subdue the nations, according to verse one of this book?

2) What observations does Isaiah make about Bel and Nebo, the gods of the conquering Babylonians in these verses?

3) What happens to the wealthy and refined “Virgin Daughter of Babylon” in Isaiah’s prophecy in these verses?

4) What inconsistencies did God see in the people of Judah in these first two verses of this book?

5) When did God place His call on His Servant, the Messiah in verse one of this book?

6) What sorts of evidence did God challenge Israel to produce to prove that He was the cause of their defeat and captivity in verse one?

7) How should it boost our faith to look back at the lives of believers how came before us in these first two verses?

8) What did Isaiah call the city of Jerusalem to, in the first two verses of this book?

9) What was unbelievable about the message of God’s chosen deliverance?

10) What great misfortune for women of Isaiah’s day did he compare with Israel’s desolation in verse one?

11) Whom does God invite to come eat and drink in abundance in verse one of this book?

12) Why does God encourage us to maintain justice and do what is right in verse one?

13) What did Isaiah say that people failed to understand when the righteous were perishing in verses one and two?

14) What was the outward appearance of rebellious Israel in verse two of this book?

15) What was the cause of Israel’s separation from God in these first two verses?

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| Sunday Morning | 1 | 8 | 15 | 22 | 29 |
| Scripture | SEE | NOLAN | BUTLER ! |  |  |
| Read by | Stephen Arnold | Dale Henry | Jeff Ballard | Kaleb Ball | Michael Fry |
| Opening Prayer | Joe Carpenter | Paul Payne | Bo Creighton | Travis Ball | Charlie Hodgkiss |
| Song Leader | Bobby Graves | Charlie Hodgkiss | Paul Payne | Stephen Arnold | Wylie Dykes |
| Announcements | Bobby Graves | Rick Zant | Michael Fry | Bobby Graves | Rick Zant |
| Lord’s Supper | Michael Whitten |
|  | William Campbell |
|  | Jason Brown |
|  | Craig Zant |
|  | Bradley Cochran |
|  | Tristion Gandy |
| Closing Prayer | Wylie Dykes | Tim Parks | Chesley Phillips | Ken Robbins | James Weems |
| Usher | John Nash |
| Comm. Prep. | Paul & Ophelia Payne |
| Sound Board | Chuck Skeen |
| Sunday Evening | 1 | 8 | 15 | 22 | 29 |
| Opening Prayer | William Campbell | Billy Fergurson | Michael Fry | Bobby Graves | Charlie Thompson |
| Closing Prayer | Eddie Don Pickering | Hunter Grose | Stephen Arnold | Kevin Wood | Michael Whitten |
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| Wednesday | 4 | 11 | 18 | 25 |  |
| Devotional | Charlie Thompson | Paul Payne | Rick Zant | Bobby Graves |  |

Please remember these in your prayers: Cristy Brazeal, our brethren in Mexico, Wynetta Carter, military personnel, Brenda Rodgers, Gus, Micah & Jennifer Fry, Travis Palmer, Val Spiller, Steve Carpenter (Joe Carpenter’s brother), Gleno Perry, Warren & Betsy Skeen, Dene Cochran, Kristi Taylor, Roxanne Fergurson, Courtney Mathews (Renee & Eddie Elmore’s daughter).

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April Birthdays

2 – Ruth Thompson

3 – Kenda Thompson

4 – Joe Carpenter

8 – Gleno Perry

9 – Betsy Skeen

11 – Dale Perry

16 – Roxanne Fergurson

19 – Thomas McGee

21 – Dalton Phillips

24 – Robert Killough

26 – Martha Fox

26 – Lauren Hodgkiss

29 – Kimber Lindsey

**April Anniversaries**

9 – Chad & Laura Graves

10 – Travis & Amy Ball



Sunday Bible Study 9:00 am

Worship 10:00 am

Worship 5:00 pm

KPLT Radio Program 96.3 FM 9:00 am

Wednesday

 Bible Study 6:00 pm

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## Truths Found at His Cross

Dan Jenkins

. As you stand at the foot of His cross, what great truths come into your heart? Sometimes our greatest understanding of truth comes in the midst of great trauma.

 **At His cross, I learn the truth about myself.**There were so many who were impacted by His death and each had his own reason for being there. I wonder if I would have stood beside those who mocked Him? Would I be among those who walked by and kept going with little interest in what was happening? Would I have stood beside His mother and sought to comfort her, or would I have not been there at all like those disciples who fled from the garden? The answer to these questions might be discovered by seeing what emotions I have during the meditation I do when I commune with Him around the His table.

 **At His cross, I learn the sinfulness of mankind.**Think of all the evil that filled the hearts of those evil men whose agenda brought about His death. Three times Pilate asked these men, “What evil has He done?” (Luke 23:22). There is no answer to this question, for He never did even one thing wrong. The Jews could not find any evidence as to why He should die until two false witnesses lied about what He had said about the temple. Why was the mob so enraged? Why were the words spoken to Him and about Him so filled with such blasphemy? Evil is a reality in our world and it has never been seen more clearly than at the foot of the cross.

 **At His cross, I learn the truth about my inability to save myself.**My own “goodness” could not take away the guilt of only one sin. The only hope I have of heaven is that hanging on that cross was the One whose sinless life could redeem me. My sinfulness means I owed a debt, and on that cross was One who paid my debt. There was nothing I could do to remove sin and God sent His son to pay my debt. I feel my sinfulness and helplessness at the cross.

 **At His cross, I learn about God’s providential love which surrounds me now.**Jesus died for me, a mortal worthy of the torment of hell because of my rebellion. Now if God did that much for me when I was His enemy, how much more will He do for me now that I am His child? Mediate on these words, “But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us...For if when we were enemies we were reconciled to God through the death of His Son, much more, having been reconciled, we shall be saved by His life” (Rom. 5:8-10). He loved me then and He loves me much more now!