

Sermon Notes

Jesus: Cornerstone or Stumbling Stone?

(I Peter 2:4-8; Isaiah 8:14; 28:16)

Introduction (Luke 2:29ff; Ps. 118:22-23)

- I. **Jesus is the Cornerstone for those who _____ & _____ Him.**
- A. The _____ Rock. (I Cor. 3:9-11; Heb. 13:8; Acts 4:10-12)
 - B. The _____ Force. (Eph. 2:19-22; I Pet. 2:4-5)
 - C. The _____ Principle. (I Pet. 2:6-8; 9-12)
- II. **Jesus is the Stumbling Stone for those who _____ & _____ Him.**
- A. Disbelief
 - 1. Reject His _____.
 - 2. Reject His _____.
 - 3. Reject His _____ (I Cor. 1:22-24; Rom. 9:30-33)
 - 4. Reject His _____ (Mk. 8:34-36; 10:21-22)
 - B. Disobedience (I Pet. 2:8; Matt. 21:41-44)

Our choice destines us.

**Let's stand on the _____, instead
of _____ over Him.**

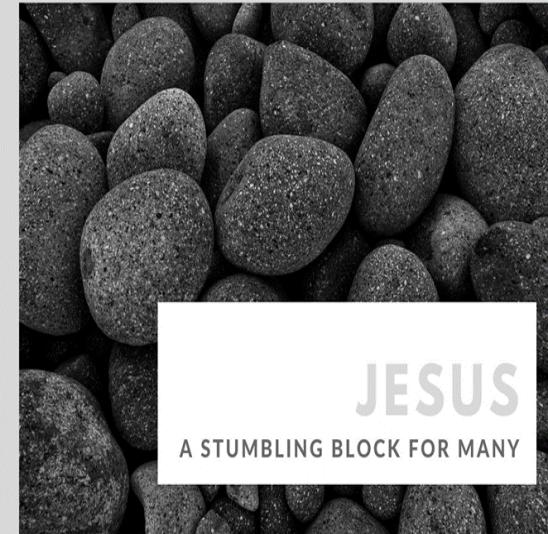
Welcome to Bethlehem Church of Christ

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“For in Scripture it says: ‘See, I lay a stone in Zion, a chosen and precious cornerstone, and the one who trusts in him will never be put to shame.’ Now to you who believe, this stone is precious. But to those who do not believe, ‘The stone the builders rejected has become the capstone,’ and, ‘A stone that causes men to stumble and a rock that makes them fall.’”

— I Peter 2:6 - 8a

August 16, 2020

Order of Worship

(Note: Your offering to God can be placed in the container as you enter the back of the worship center)

Welcome & Prayer

Lay Me Down

Way Maker

Goodness of God

Amazing Grace, (My Chains Are Gone)

Communion Meditation & Prayer

Personal prayer & reflection time as you use the communion packet you picked up in the foyer upon entering.

Message Tom Claibourne

I Have Decided to Follow Jesus

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Decisions

Reminders & special prayer for the school year

Bethlehem News

9:30 Lesson

Christian will continue to lead us on our journey through the Gospel of Mark, as we learn how to overcome blindness. Today's focus is Mark 10:35-52. Activity pages are available for youth in the foyer.

Bible Classes

Soon we will reexamine the local health situation and make a decision about going back to our individual Sunday School classes in September.

Prayer for the School Year

Today we will include a prayer time for students and all others who are involved in education. We do this every year, but this time it is especially important with so many uncertainties and disagreements. Many difficult decisions are still being made.

There will also be a special prayer gathering today outside NAHS at 4:00 pm that several of us have participated in the past 2 years.

2 — Part Message Series

August 23 & 30

The next two Sundays Tom's messages will feature "Life Lessons From COVID-19", Parts I & II. Reflecting on the past 5 months we will draw some practical warnings and encouragement, & most of all, Biblical principles.

Super Summer Challenge Participants

please return your completed points sheet to Angela Rothwell today.

Free Vegetables

Please take as many vegetables from the foyer as you can use or give away.

Card Shower

Ruth Hughes will celebrate her 92nd birthday on August 22nd. Let's show our love for her by sending a card, dropping her a note, or a phone call.

Address & phone number:
Adams Co. Manor, Room 204
10856 St. Rt. 41
West Union, 45693
423-208-8438

Climb for Captives

Thank you to everyone who hiked (37 of us), and to all who sponsored them. We were able to raise nearly \$3,000 to help the Zera House in their ministry of healing for women rescued from sex trafficking (www.zerahouse.org).

Factors that can make someone more vulnerable to trafficking:

- have an unstable living situation.
- have a history of domestic violence.
- has a caregiver or family member who has a substance abuse issue.
- are runaways or involved in the juvenile justice or foster care system.
- are undocumented immigrants.
- are facing poverty or economic need.
- have a history of sexual abuse.
- are addicted to drugs or alcohol.

Hotline to call (if you see a child or woman in a public place who appears to be a trafficking victim); 888-373-7888 or Text 233733.

Join Us in Praying

- ✚ Praise God as the eternal Lord & Judge.
- ✚ Praise God for being a God of truth, love & justice.
- ✚ Thank God for His written Word to us.
- ✚ Thank God for His salvation plan through Jesus Christ.
- ✚ Pray for the courage to make a positive difference for God in our world.
- ✚ August mission: Colombian Christian Mission.
- ✚ Cindy Whitsett - had part of her colon removed Tuesday due to diverticulitis; reattachment went well; Clermont Hospital.
- ✚ Maggie Bouquot - got along well with wisdom teeth.
- ✚ Don Salisbury - hit by a car on his motorcycle, 5 broken ribs; 40 stitches in lip; other cuts & injuries; neighbor of the Seipelts.
- ✚ Keith Downs - much improved; completed physical therapy & was released from rehab facility Friday.
- ✚ Family of Chipper McRoberts - passed away Monday; grandfather of Taylor McRoberts and father of Kelly McRoberts. Memorial service was Friday evening.
- ✚ Continued prayer: Tim Daulton, Fred Dodson, Dan Fristoe, Blanche Grooms, Ava Gunn, Delores Hobson, Nathan Hobson, Rick Hobson, Ken Holtzclaw, Joe Jandes, Gloria Klickner, Trannin Maddox, Sandy Manning, Lloyd & Charlene McQuery, Beau Moore, Bethany Normile, Amy Palmer, Audrey Parker, Ronnie Reeves, Autumn Regula, Ruth Shively, Bernice Smith, Marlene Wagner, Pam Williams Allison Zahn.
- ✚ Other:

Cleaning this week:

Mike Huston & David Tatman

Next Week:

Campbell Family