



On the Same Page

“when He comes to be glorified in His saints on that day, and to be marveled at among all who have believed — for our testimony to you was believed.” (2 Thessalonians 1:10 NAS95)

A Developing Direction

Forever-Family Fellowship

We will teach and practice truth-and-love relationships with brothers-sisters in Christ that must survive/thrive in the present because we believe that these relationships will last forever

All-Week-Long Worship

As the local body of believers gathers each Sunday for worship, **we will inspire a worship experience for all age groups that will travel with you all week long.** What we do on Sunday will assist you in your singing, in your praying, in your devotion, and in your witness.

Conversely, it is as you worship all-week-long that you will be prepared to enter into gathered worship on Sunday.

Day-to-Day Discipleship

As followers of Christ, we are disciples every single day. Respect for and commitment to Scripture is essential. **We will show you how to interact with and respond to God's Word, both as individuals, and in groups.**

Moment-by-Moment

Mission

God, the Architect of the world and of our lives arranges appointments and interruptions. Each of us is called to representative His Son for the glory of His Name. **We will cultivate a mind-set for moment-by-moment mission, whether close to home, or far away.**

15 Minutes of Fame

Sunday, June 14, 2015

Face it. Not everyone gets their 15 minutes of fame. And that's ok. I hear it's over-rated. What is more troublesome is the yahoos who undeservedly are receiving way more than the allotted 15. When will they drift off into oblivion?

Another way to say it is, “he/she had his/her day.” Elvis had his day. Oh, he is still loved, and, strangely, impersonated. I officiated a wedding once with Elvis looking over my shoulder. But really, Elvis' day is over. He is dead and gone. The music has changed, whether you think for the better or worse. He's now old-fashioned. And those who depend on their good looks better appreciate it while it lasts. Your day in the sun will soon be over, and someone else will grab the spotlight.

In the Bible, the phrase “the day of the Lord” refers most broadly to this same idea: that the Lord will have his day. The phrase is used in the Old Testament prophets, in anticipation of Jesus. And it is used in the New Testament letters, in anticipation of the second coming of Christ. These are a collection of texts which reason that this Lord Jesus will - no, he must - have his day.

Some would say that Jesus already had his 15 minutes, and more, of fame. But I think it would be more accurate to say that what he really had was 15 minutes, and more, of shame. He came with his glory veiled in order to walk in our shoes and die in our place. The King of glory died as a despised criminal - not because of what he did or deserved, but for our sakes.

The “day of the Lord” Scriptures teach that this same Jesus will come again, and he will have his day. He will come with glory revealed, and rather than being judged by crooked men, he will judge and set straight all that is bent and twisted.

Jesus' 15 minutes of fame will last forever. Every detractor will be subdued. All arrogance will be banished. No one will resent him or grow tired or bored. His glory will be our delight. And it will be called ‘heaven.’

The 'John' Project: John Newton (2015)

John Newton writes a 3-part exposition of Christian experience, 3 letters to a younger person, based on [Mark 4:28](#), the blade of corn, the ear of corn, and then full corn. He is now describing the 3rd state of full maturity, still weak on its own, but proven in its trust in God.

His heart has deceived him so often, that he is now in a good measure weaned from trusting to it; and therefore he does not meet with so many disappointments. And having found again and again the vanity of all other helps, he is now taught to go to the Lord at once for "grace to help in every time of need."

The Works of John Newton, Vol 1, Banner of Truth, 2015. "On Ministerial Address," p. 143

News and Notes

Lake Ann Camp, July 27-Aug 1 for **kids entering 4th grade through high school**. We invite you to contribute to the Loose Change Bucket, or to consider providing a camp scholarship.

Men of Action Breakfast Fellowship and Meeting, Saturday, June 13, 7:30 a.m. - followed by an outside work project at Shelley Rogers' home, 531 East Street

Sunday, June 21, Father's Day, our worship gathering will be led by the men of the congregation.

Third Thursday Fellowship meets on Friday, June 19, 11:45 a.m. at the church building

Prayer Time: Saturdays, 7 a.m., Tim Horton's, Milford; Sundays, 9 a.m., in the sanctuary

Weekly Worship @ 11

Someone has said, if you aim at nothing, you will most assuredly hit it. Someone else has applied this similarly to our view of the future - that our view of the future affects how we live in the present. This Sunday (June 14), we will see that [1 Thessalonians 5:1-11](#) challenges us to **conduct our present lives in light of what God has promised** will happen in the future, when Jesus come again. This message partners with the sermon from two weeks ago, from [1 Thessalonians 4:13-18](#), where Paul encourages us to **trust God's plan for the future based on God's performance in the past**. This message was titled ["Joining Jesus"](#)



Last Sunday we followed our customary practice of observing Lord's Table on the first Sunday of the month, and reflected on Paul's prayer for Christians from 1 Thessalonians 5:23, asking that we be "sanctified completely." [Listen to this message entitled, "To the Extreme."](#)

•**Sunday School for all ages, Sundays at 9:30.** Adults and youth meet in the sanctuary, children in the lower level. Join us this Sunday!

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