### For the Record

<b>450-</b> Sunday Morning
199- Sunday Classes
<b>40-</b> Sunday Evening

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178 - Wednesday Evening

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# **Every Generation** Sermon Notes - March 8, 2020

"I looked, and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and the Lamb." Rev. 7:9

"One generation commends your works to another; they tell of your mighty acts." Psalm 145:4

Intergenerational worship...

Rejects religious "

Sets aside personal

## **ELDER TO CONTACT**

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#### **REGULAR WEEKLY MINISTRIES**

Life Group - Sundays at various homes and times Granddad's Devo - Tuesdays at 10:00 am in R5 Ladies Bible Class - Tuesdays at 10:00 am in Rm FC 4 Women's Grief Support - Febuary 9 6:15 pm to 7:30 pm in R5 Single & Parenting Class - New Session September 2020 DC4K - March 1, 2020 in Rm. G13 DivorceCare - March 1, 2020 in Rm. R1 Financial Peace - January 22 at 6:00 pm in Rm.B2 Celebrate Recovery - Thursdays at 6:30 pm (Meal at 6:00 pm)

🕅 Grow. Reach. Glorify.

# **Robinson Avenue** this week

WELCOME TO WORSHIP MARCH 8, 2020 **TODAY'S FOCUS** Welcome The Glory Land Way I'll Fly Away **Bible Reading** Prayer **Agnus Dei Tell Me the Story of Jesus** Without Him Communion We Bow Down **Dismiss Children I Still Got Joy** Sermon: **Every Generation Only a Step** 

He Lives

**Closing Prayer** 

# **Every Nation, Tribe, People, and Language** Heavenly worship is multi-generational and multi-cultural

We're so glad you are here today! Last Sunday morning we had two large groups of members who were out of town – our ladies were concluding their annual women's retreat in Branson, MO and our youth were in Russellville for the last session of the Christeens conference. Today, we have a group of our men at Fort Smith State Park for the close of the men's retreat.

From time to time it is nice to be able to gather with those who share a common gender or age or interest. These times are refreshing and provide opportunities to address common issues and struggles across these particular demographic lines.

Nevertheless, I'm thankful that most Sundays provide the opportunity for all of us to come together – male and female, young and old, light skin and dark skin, white collar and blue collar to worship with one heart and voice.

This is a picture of what worship in Heaven will be like! In Heaven there will be no segregation or groups - just united, focused worship. In Revelation 7:9 the apostle John tells us what he witnessed; "I looked, and there before me was a great multitude

# The Bible in a Year

Monday 9 Numbers 35-36 Tuesday 10 Deuteronomy 1-2 Wednesday 11 Deuteronomy 3-4 Thursday 12 Deuteronomy 5-7

*that no one could count, from every* nation, tribe, people and language, *standing before the throne and before* the Lamb." What a beautiful scene this is! In these divided and polarized times that we live in it is nice to think about a time when nothing will divide us.

I believe that the life we are living now is in preparation for the life to come! If this is true then **this** is the type of worship we should strive for even on this side of eternity! What are we doing to bring people together? Do we make people feel welcomed? Does every age group have a voice? Are our expressions of worship cross-cultural? These are some of the things that we'll be talking about over the next two weeks as we conclude this series about Growing in our Worship. I hope and pray that today will be a blessing to us all!

-Keith Kilmer

# **Daily Reading Schedule (Chronological Order)**

Friday 13 Deuteronomy 8-10 Saturday 14 Deuteronomy 11-13 Sunday 15 Deuteronomy 14-16

Adult Education

#### **Adult Bible Classes**

Sunday Morning Adult Classes: The Character of Christ

Singing Class: Trent Arnold, In the gym

Discipleship Class: Sabino Rodriguez

Wednesday Night Adult Classes:

FUEL: 2 Samuel for LTC, Various Teachers WPW Sessions: "In His Image"

Tuesday Granddads' Devo: 10:00 a.m. Open discussion, coffee and donuts.

### Family **Hispanic Congregation**

The Spanish congregation will have a Fajita fundraiser March 15th after morning worship. All proceeds will go to help the youth go to the RNJ (Spanish National youth Rally). Donations are optional. We would love to have everyone come out and join us for some fajitas. Thank you for all your support! God bless!

#### Family **Game Night**

Game Night will be March 13 at 6:30 in the green room. Please bring your favorite games and snacks.

#### Family **Visitation Ministry**

Last year we began the Visitation Ministry. We have members and guests in the hospital or in nursing homes or shut-in at home each week. If you are not a part of this yet, now is your chance. This will not be much of a time commitment but will be a huge blessing to those you visit. Please sign up now with Nick Poulos at nick.poulos38@aol.com.

#### Youth Ministry Caleb Says...

Apr. 10-12 – LTC Convention Jun. 13-18 – Uplift Jun. 26-Jul. 2 – Colorado Camping Trip Jul. 11-18 – Camp Wetoga Jul. 26-Aug. 1 – Green Valley Bible Camp

This time of year, there always seems to be something going on at Robinson Avenue. Last weekend, the youth group and a good chunk of the women were gone on different trips, and this weekend a lot of the men are gone for our annual Men's Retreat. I said it last week and I'll say it again this week. I don't know about you, but I really love how much enthusiasm there is at Robinson Avenue to be together. It's good to be part of this family.

Our study of 2 Samuel will resume next week because I wanted to let you all know what the youth group learned at CHRISTeens this last weekend. The theme was Perspective and it came from Romans 12:1-2. It says:

"Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship. Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will."

If I asked you to quote this scripture, most of us would probably be able to quote the majority of what it says. Our recitation may not be very smooth or pretty, but the main idea would be communicated. As a church, we are well acquainted with the idea of being different from the world. However, I would be impressed if many would or even could quote the portion of the text that I bolded/underlined above. "In view of God's mercy..." CHRISTeens helped us realize how important the phrase really is.

Perspective is about being locked in on something. It's about having a view of one important thing that governs the way you view everything else. According to Romans 12, if we want to be transformed and to know God's will, our perspective must be one that centers on the character of God and his mercy. . You could fill this blank with any number God is of adjectives: perfect, loving, righteous, eternal, etc. When we focus on God's character, we start to realize how drastic the difference is between God and ourselves. We cannot honestly, say "I am perfect." This fact about the character of God (There is only one God and I am not him) puts into perspective his mercy. We are in desperate need of a perfect and loving God, and when we are locked into that, our whole worldview shifts. I want to encourage you, "in view of God's mercy," to give God everything you have. If you need to change your perspective to be more centered on God's mercy, ask our teens how you could do it too.

## **Family Time**

SUNDAY 9:30 AM Bible Study 10:30 AM Worship

WEDNESDAY

6:00 рм Worship

7:00 рм Bible Study

#### Sympathy

**Sonny Homer**, the nephew of Lester Harrison, passed away Monday, March 2. The funeal was held on Thursday.

Family

# **Illness and Recoverv**

Alex Richey Barens is doing better. Pray that she can go full term during her pregnancy.

Lorene Brown will have exploratory surgery on Tuesday, March 10.

#### Military Ministry **Care Packages for the Troops**

Best Choice UPCs continue to help provide funding to mail the packages to our troops. The UPC is the bar code that is scanned as you check out at a store. Harps and Marvins IGA are two local grocers that stock Best Choice products. The UPCs can be deposited in the collection basket in the lobby. When we started this ministry the cost of postage for a large flat rate package was \$12, currently the rate for postage for one package is \$19.60.

Family Southern Christian Home

The Southern Christian Home Truck will be here March 10. They need cold meds, diapers, all types of canned goods and noodles.

#### Our **Praver List**

Names will be printed on this list for up to 4 weeks at a time unless further updates are received in the office.

# **Family/Friends**

Elizabeth Bernecker, the sister of Ben and Tommy Kilpatrick Kenny Bohannon, the nephew of Milton Ball Blonzie Campbell, the uncle of Vanessa McBride Kerry George, friend of many at RACOC. Brandon Harrison, grandson of Lester Harrison Tanya Reams, the twin sisiter of Tammy McCain Bvron Todd, son of Gerald Todd

Carolyn Patnadue, the sister of Linda Sears

#### Those Shut In

**Pauline Cantrell Beth Clem Dee Dearman Cleo Drevs Hazel Fletcher Glenda** Garrison **Donna Gaston** Dan Hash **James Price Roberta Simpson** Verna Tackett **Elsie White Dorothy Yeager** 

#### Continue to Remember

**Danny Allen Mary Allen** Lucy Allen **Beth Clem** Lee Pense Joan Pense **Scott Phillips Speedy Williams Melba Watts** Linda Wray

#### Those **Battling Cancer**

**Mary Allen Mark Elmore Charlean Howell** Peggy Huckeba **Freida Hughes Ajeanna Kernes Robert Kernes** Seth Mohorn Salina Wilson