

Jesus: God’s Final Word *Once and for All*

Hebrews 10:1-18

Context – Not “right v. wrong”, but “good v. better”

The Law is only a “shadow” of something better ...

The Law was not *wrong*, just _____ ...

Sacrifices must be offered “continually” because sin _____.

Sacrifices can _____ of us of sin, but not _____ sin from us.

But ultimately the Old Covenant is inadequate because it cannot “_____” us.

Consequently, _____ ...

Is _____ for the *removal* of our sins ...

Is _____ at *restoring* us to a right relationship with the Father ...

And, is _____ all are His, readying us for Heaven!

What the Law _____, Christ _____!

Sanctification and a Truncated Gospel

What is “sanctification”?

What is “salvation”?

Salvation isn’t *completed* at justification. It *begins* there.

Can you be *justified* and not be *sanctified*? (Is it _____, but ultimately _____?)

“... *because of him you are in Christ Jesus, who became to us wisdom from God, righteousness and sanctification and redemption ...*” (1 Cor. 1:30)

“... *such were some of you. But you were washed, you were sanctified, you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and by the Spirit of our God.*” (1 Cor. 6:11)

And now I commend you to God and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up and to give you the inheritance among all those who are sanctified. (Acts 20:32)

“Too long the church has understood “conversion” as having only to do with the beginning point. Biblically understood, conversion has to do with making disciples of former pagans like ourselves ... Our Lord did not say , “Go and make converts,” but “Go and make disciples.” In the long run, only disciples are converts.”

- Gordon Fee, Paul, *the Spirit, and the People of God*

How is sanctification made possible?

The Holy Spirit comes in and changes my _____ – this is about my _____.

The Holy Spirit also changes my _____ – this is about my _____.

What are the results of this transformation?

What’s my responsibility in this transformation?

For me:

Is my Christian life marked by *transformation*?

Is what I have *believed* about Christ *producing* the Christ-life in me?

What’s the best *evidence* of my salvation?

²⁸ *Him we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone with all wisdom, that we may present everyone mature in Christ.* ²⁹ *For this I toil, struggling with all his energy that he powerfully works within me.* (Col. 1:28-29)

Dr. Paul Thompson
Calvary Baptist Church
September 26, 2021

Quarterly Member Meeting

Wednesday, September 29 | 6:00 pm | Sanctuary

The Quarterly Member Meeting will take place at the beginning of the Midweek service.

SABA Fall Food Drive

Kickoff fall with a food drive for YOUR Ministry Center. This food drive will run through the entire month of October and drop boxes will be placed at the ROC, Fellowship Center Foyer, Children and Preschool areas, and the Young Married Life Group area. Please take note of the bulletin insert with the needed specified food items. Thank you in advance for your generosity in serving our community.

Would you like to Join a D-Group?

If you have not filled out a “D-Group Connection Card” and would like to join a D-Group, or would like to know more about D-Groups let Dan Tankersley know. You can visit him at the Next Steps table or email him at dan@calvarydothan.com. A D-Group is a gender-specific, closed group of 3-5 believers that meet regularly for 8-12 months for the purpose of accelerated spiritual growth. D-Groups fall within the life-on-life circle of Calvary’s Disciple Making Strategy.

Calvary Kids Missions Offering

We’re giving kids the opportunity to give financially to a missions offering through the “North American Mission Board.” We are specifically raising money to “Buy a Farm” to give agricultural help where it’s needed most to strengthen an international community.

Our Goal: \$600

Children can give to this offering on Sundays and Wednesdays through October. We hope you and your children will participate as we seek to make missions a priority.

Student DNow Weekend

Monsters in My Closet | November 12-14

1st Student: \$100 | 2nd Student: \$85 | 3rd Student: \$75

Deadline to Register: October 31

If you would like to be a host home or help serve the weekend of DNow, contact brooke@calvarydothan.com.

Foundations: The Truth on Which We Stand

September 26 | 6:00 pm | Sanctuary

Calvary women are invited to gather together to strengthen their faith through worship, testimony, teaching, and prayer.

September 26 - *Active for the Kingdom*

Childcare provided by reservation. Contact joyce@calvarydothan.com or call the church office.

Membership Matters

Wednesday, September 29 | 5:45 pm | Parlor

If you are considering membership at Calvary, please join us for our Membership Matters class. Contact Angie Tice at angie@calvarydothan or call the church office.

Senior Adult Trip to Gospel Sing

Thursday, September 30 | Leave Church at 9:23 am

All senior adults are invited to a Gospel Sing sponsored by Braswell Christian Ministries. Sandra Hunt will be the guest singer.

Barbecue lunch plates will be served immediately following the sing for \$6.00 per plate.

The Sanctification of Our Desires

Excerpt from *The Root of the Righteous* by A. W. Tozer

In nature it is easy to watch the activity carried on by desire. The very perpetuation of the various species is guaranteed by the presence of desire, and each individual member of each species is sustained and nourished by the natural operation of desire. Every normal creature desires a mate, and so the perpetuation of life is achieved. Every creature desires food and the life of each is supported. Thus desire is the servant of the God of nature and waits on His will. In the moral world things are not otherwise. Right desires tend toward life and evil ones toward death. That in essence is the scriptural teaching on this subject. Whatever a man wants badly and persistently enough will determine the man’s character. In the Pauline epistles the gravitational pull of the heart in one direction or another is called the “mind.” In the eighth chapter of Romans, for instance, when Paul refers to the “mind” he is referring to the sum of our dominant desires. The mere intellect is not the mind: the mind is intellect plus emotional tug strong enough to determine action.

By this definition it is easy to understand the words of Romans 8:5-7, “For they that are after the flesh do mind the things of the flesh; but they that are after the Spirit the things of the Spirit. For to be carnally minded is death; but to be spiritually minded is life and peace. Because the carnal mind is enmity against God: for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be.” When our dominant desires are bad the whole life is bad as a consequence; when the desires are good the life comes up to the level of our desires, provided that we have within us the enabling Spirit.

At the root of all true spiritual growth is a set of right and sanctified desires. The whole Bible teaches that we can have whatever we want badly enough if, it hardly need be said, our desire is according to the will of God. The desire after God and holiness is back of all spirituality, and when that desire becomes dominant in the life nothing can prevent us from having what we want. The longing cry of the God-hungry soul can be expressed in the five words of the song, “Oh, to be like Thee!” While this longing persists there will be steady growth in grace and a constant progress toward Christlike-ness.

Unsanctified desire will stop the growth of any Christian life. Wrong desire perverts the moral judgment so that we are unable to appraise the desired object at its real value.

As Christians our only safety lies in complete honesty. We must surrender our hearts to God so that we have no unholy desires, then let the Scriptures pronounce their judgment on a contemplated course. If the Scriptures condemn an object, we must accept that judgment and conform to it, no matter how we may for the moment feel about it.

God is always glorified when He wins a moral victory over us, and we are always benefited, immeasurably and gloriously benefited. The glory of God and the everlasting welfare of His people are always bound up together. The blood of Jesus Christ will cleanse not only actual sins which have been committed, but the very inward desires so that we will not want to sin. Purified desires will tend toward righteousness by a kind of gently moral gravitation. Then it can be said that we are “spiritually minded.” A blessed state indeed, and blessed are they that reach it.

I WOULD LIKE MORE INFORMATION ABOUT:

My Decision Today:

I trusted Jesus as Savior.

I’d like to join Calvary Baptist Church.

I believe God is calling me into ministry/mission.

Please have a pastor or elder contact me.

If you would like to speak with someone about one of the items noted above, please visit the Next Steps Kiosk before you leave today.

PRAYER REQUESTS:

Pastors & Prayer Team Only

Churchwide

Connect Card

September 26, 2021

Please complete this tab, tear it off and drop it in an offering plate.

- Please update my information
- Please contact me about membership

I am a:

- First Time Guest
- Guest
- Member

Name

Address

City

State/Zip

- Male
- Female

- Married
- Single

Birthdate (mm/dd/yy)

Home Phone

Cell Phone

Spouse

Spouse's Birthdate (mm/dd/yy)

Children:

Name / Date of Birth

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Please complete the additional information on the back of this tab, if applicable.

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I'm New Here

To fill out a digital Connect Card or learn more about Calvary, please use your smartphone camera to scan the QR Code.

How to Become a Christian

Want more information about how to become a Christian? Go to calvarydothan.com/become-a-christian/.

If you would like to view a pdf of today's sermon notes, go to calvarydothan.com/podcast or use Calvary's MobileMission app.

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FIRST TIME GUEST?

We're so glad you've joined us for worship today and would love to be able to share more with you about our church. Please fill out the Connect Card to the left and place it in one of the offering plates when they are passed. Be sure to stop by our Next Steps kiosk after the service for a gift from us!

THE PEOPLE CAME...

September 19

Life Groups: 448
10:00 Worship: 528
6:00 Worship: 121
Hispanic Church: 104

THE PEOPLE GAVE...

General Fund

Given September 19: \$48,993
Jan.-Aug. Budget
Surplus (Deficit): (\$58,734.46)

DAILY SCRIPTURE READING

Sunday, September 26:

1 Sam 7-8, Rom 6, Jer 44, Ps 20-21

Monday, September 27:

1 Sam 9, Rom 7, Jer 45-46, Ps 22

Tuesday, September 28:

1 Sm 10, Rom 8, Jer 47, Ps 23-24

Wednesday, September 29:

1 Sm 11, Rom 9, Jer 48, Ps 25

Thursday, September 30:

1 Sm 12, Rom 10, Jer 49, Ps 26-27

Friday, October 1:

1 Sm 13, Rom 11, Jer 50, Ps 28-29

Saturday, October 2:

1 Sm 14, Rom 12, Jer 51, Ps 30

Midweek Schedule

5:30 pm Midweek Meal, Fellowship Center

6:00 pm Midweek Worship, Sanctuary
Preschool, Birth-K5, Preschool Building (Preregister at calvarydothan.com)

Children, Grades 1-5, ROC

Students, Grades 6-12, Student Room

4 Ways to Give

- Give online by using the MobileMission app for Apple or Android or go to calvarydothan.com/GiveOnline.
- On Sundays, drop in the offering plate or in the collection boxes near the Fellowship Center exit doors
- Mail to 901 Montezuma Avenue, Dothan, AL 36303
- Bring to the church office, M-F, 8am-12noon & 1-4:30pm

Ministry Staff

Paul Thompson.....Senior Pastor
Charles Uptain.....Executive Pastor
Dan Tankersley.....Discipleship
Matthew Dorsey.....Music/Worship

STAFF ON CALL

Sunday, September 19:

Joyce Alexander | 334-798-4791

Saturday, September 25:

Dan Tankersley | 334-655-8765

Sunday, September 26:

Dan Tankersley | 334-655-8765

SERMON SCHEDULE

Wednesday, September 29 | 6:00 pm

Genesis: Where Grace Begins

As God Promised

Genesis 21

Message by Paul Thompson

Sunday, October 3 | 10:00 am

Jesus: God's Final Word

Only Assurance Can Do This

Hebrews 10:19-25

Message by Paul Thompson

Wednesday, October 6 | 6:00 pm

Genesis: Where Grace Begins

Abraham's Greatest Test

Genesis 22

Message by Paul Thompson

Sunday, October 10 | 10:00 am

Jesus: God's Final Word

Don't Shrink Back!

Hebrews 10:26-39

Message by Paul Thompson

Sunday Morning Schedule

8:00 am Call to Prayer, Sanctuary

8:30 am Life Group

10:00 am Worship, Fellowship Center

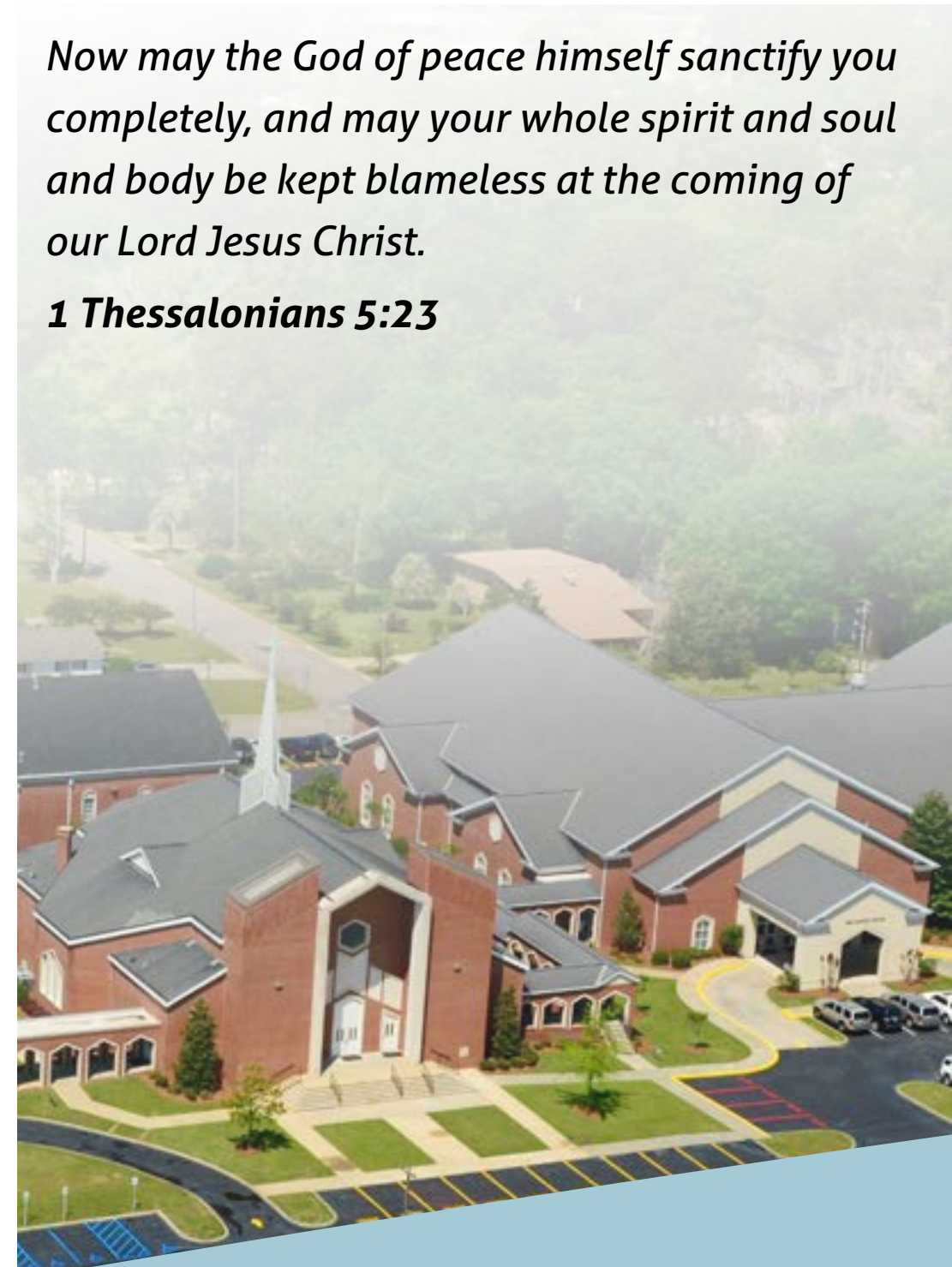
Live Stream on Facebook & YouTube

Kid's Worship, Grades 1-5, Chapel (except 1st Sunday)

11:00 am Worship Broadcast on JoyFM 94.3/96.1 with a 1 wk delay.

Now may the God of peace himself sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit and soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

1 Thessalonians 5:23



WELCOME TO
Calvary
BAPTIST CHURCH