

5 Habits of an Everyday Missionary

Habit #5: Obeying

The Missional Value that drives this habit: _____.

Our premise: Jesus is King. He commands us to turn from our sins and to trust in him. He commands us to believe the good news of God’s great salvation made possible through him alone. And as the king, he commands our absolute surrender. We are to do whatever he says. We are to go wherever he sends. Our lives are to be lived fully under his authority and in full submission to his will.

Daniel 7:13-14, Philippians 2:5b-11, Romans 1:1-5

²⁴ Then Jesus told his disciples, “If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and **follow me**. ²⁵ For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. ²⁶ For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world and forfeits his soul? Or what shall a man give in return for his soul? ²⁷ For the Son of Man is going to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay each person according to what he has done. ²⁸ Truly, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death until they see the Son of Man coming in his **kingdom**.”

Matthew 16:24-28

Fidelity to King Jesus requires (according to Matthew 16):

In turn, we gain:

_____ (now)

_____ (forever)

4 big questions to ask myself:

Who is Jesus to me?

What “gospel” did I believe?

Who rules my life, really?

What does Jesus want me to do?

6 ways to develop the habit of “obeying”:

_____ the King (praying, singing, etc.).

Determine to _____ (His Word and Spirit).

Spend quality time in the Word giving particular attention to what God specifically tells you to ____.

_____ in _____, “What do you want me to do?”

_____ what you already _____ you ought to be doing.

_____ where you have failed and _____ from it.

And repeat these actions _____ (Luke 9:23)

My Missional Challenge this week:

Guatemala Mission Trip

March 25 – 28, 2022 | Cost: \$1,000

We will visit our church partner in Guatemala City and help them with discipleship, home visits, and training for their leaders. Contact the church office or Dave Lindey if interested.

Vermont Mission Trip

April 10-16, 2022 | Cost: \$800

We will continue construction work for the duplex that our Association is sponsoring. Jobs include painting, framing, sheetrock, etc. No experience required! Contact the church office or Roger Simpler if interested.

Gospel Conversations Workshop

Saturday, February 12 | 8am-12pm | Fellowship Center

We are excited to welcome back the Birmingham Gospel Outreach (in partnership with The Church at Brook Hills) to host a gospel conversations workshop! Please take advantage of this excellent opportunity to become better equipped as an “everyday missionary.” Continental breakfast and snacks will be provided. Childcare will also be provided, but you must RSVP with Joyce Alexander (joyce@calvarydothan.com).

Women’s Bible Study

God of Deliverance: A Study of Exodus 1-18 by Jen Wilkin

Sundays beginning February 6 | 4:30pm | Kids Worship Room | Led by Joy Whaley

Tuesdays beginning February 8 | 9am | Kids Worship Room | Led by Sandra Hunt

In this 10-session verse-by-verse study, Jen Wilkin shows us that Israel’s story is our story: the same God who delivered Israel also delivers all those He loves from slavery to sin and from service to the pharaohs of this world. He lifts our eyes to the promised land He has prepared where we dwell with I AM and worship Him as the one true God.

Volunteers Needed for Families Count Ministry

Families Count, a ministry of Lifeline Christian Services, is a 6-week, biblically-based parent education program whose aim is to minister to parents of children who have been placed into the foster care system or are at risk of entering it. The Families Count ministry at Calvary is in need of volunteers to meet, mentor, and care for parents who attend our classes. If you are looking for a place to serve our community and share the gospel, our Families Count ministry needs YOU! For information on how you can be a part of this ministry, see Margaret Myers at the Next Steps kiosk after worship Sunday or call the church office.

Community Ministry Opportunities for Life Groups

SABA (Thee Store)

We are seeking several Life Groups to serve at THEE Store the 4th Saturday of every month. If we have three Life Groups volunteer to serve, you would only serve once a quarter. Contact Tommy Perry at tommy@calvarydothan.com for more details.

The Harbor

We are looking for Life Groups to commit to serve at The Harbor the 2nd Saturday morning of each month. If your Life Group would like to volunteer (volunteers needed for serving in the various pantries [clothes, food, hygiene, laundry, etc.], and praying for those who come through that are served) or donate breakfast items, contact Mike McCann (334-685-1859 or mpmccann63@gmail.com).

Also, we are searching for Life Groups to partner with the Searcy Life Group as they provide a meal to those at the Harbor the first Wednesday of each month. This would include transportation of the meal from the church to The Harbor and covering a portion of the cost of the meal. Contact Tommy Perry at tommy@calvarydothan.com for more info.

I’m afraid many contemporary “Christians” have simply gotten the Gospel wrong. We often hear of people becoming “Christian” by “making a decision”, “asking Jesus into their heart”, “accepting Jesus”, and other less-than-biblical notions of true conversion. And as recent studies show, at the most conservative of estimates, we are losing about 50% of those who’ve “made a decision”, et al.

For most American Christians, the gospel is about getting my sins forgiven so I can go to heaven when I die. Everything beyond that – discipleship, sanctification, obedience, service, surrender, et al – is functionally *optional*. But when we honestly re-examine the gospel (both in the Gospels themselves and in the rest of the New Testament), we see that Jesus calls us to much more.

As Scot McKnight writes,

“When Jesus first called the four disciples along the Sea of Galilee he didn’t say “receive me into your heart” but “follow me.” When a crisis arose among his followers he didn’t say “you’re safe” or “get your orthodoxy on” but “deny yourself and take up your cross.” Moreover, when he finished the greatest sermon on earth, the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus didn’t say “Repent and believe these things” but “the one who hears these words of mine and *does* them.” So, too, the apostles Paul, Peter, and John called their listeners to a life swamped by the Spirit, a life of holiness amidst suffering, and a life of living in the light of love. ... King Jesus summons people into a kingdom where he alone is king, and kings expect one thing from their subjects: *allegiance*.”

Writing similarly, Matthew Bates says,

“The Greek word *pistis*, generally rendered “faith” or “belief”, as it pertains to Christian salvation, quite simply, has little correlation with “faith” and “belief”, as these words are generally understood and used in contemporary Christian culture, and much to do with *allegiance*. The center of Christianity, properly understood, is not the human response of faith or belief, but rather the old-fashioned term *fidelity*.”

Plainly put, Jesus is the once and coming King. All glory, honor, power, and authority is His and His alone. To him allegiance/fidelity is owed. This is the heart of the gospel message. And it has incredible and wide-ranging implications for all of us who are truly in Christ.

Today we’ll examine some scriptures about our King, Jesus. As we do, we’ll consider what it means to have allegiance/faithfulness/fidelity to the King and how we should all live accordingly with all the time we have left in this world.

Joyfully living under the loving and gracious rule of King Jesus,
Pastor Paul

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

January 30, 2022

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...

January 16
 Life Groups: 385
 10:00 Worship: 452
 Hispanic Church: 113
 Grace City Church (NY): 30

THE PEOPLE GAVE...

General Fund
 Given January 16: \$25,764
 Lottie Moon Christmas Offering
 Given to Date: \$202,169

DAILY SCRIPTURE READING

Sunday, January 30:
 2 Chr 14-15, Rev 4, Hg 2, Jn 3
 Monday, January 31:
 2 Chr 16, Rev 5, Zec 1, Jn 4
 Tuesday, February 1:
 2 Chr 17, Rev 6, Zec 2, Jn 5
 Wednesday, February 2:
 2 Chr 18, Rev 7, Zec 3, Jn 6
 Thursday, February 3:
 2 Chr 19-20, Rev 8, Zec 4, Jn 7
 Friday, February 4:
 2 Chr 21, Rev 9, Zec 5, Jn 8
 Saturday, February 5:
 2 Chr 22-23, Rev 10, Zec 6, Jn 9

Midweek Schedule

5:30pm Midweek Meal, Fellowship Center
 6:00pm Midweek Worship, Sanctuary
 Preschool, Birth-K5, Preschool Building
 Children, Grades 1-5, ROC
 Students, Grades 6-12, Student Room
 7:00pm Adult Choir

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

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| Paul Thompson.....Senior Pastor | Joyce Alexander.....Preschool |
| Charles Uptain.....Executive Pastor | Zach Daniels.....Children |
| Dan Tankersley.....Discipleship | Reagan Farris.....Students |
| Tommy Perry.....Community | Randy Hunt.....Senior Adults |

STAFF ON CALL

Sunday, January 30:
 Randy Hunt | 334-791-7986
 Saturday, February 6:
 Randy Hunt | 334-791-7986
 Sunday, February 13:
 Randy Hunt | 334-791-7986

SERMON SCHEDULE

Wednesday, February 2 | 6pm
Genesis: Where Grace Began
 Message by Paul Thompson

Sunday, February 6 | 10:00am
Acts: A Church Afire
And So It Begins ???
 Acts 1:1-11
 Message by Paul Thompson

Wednesday, February 9 | 6pm
Genesis: Where Grace Began
 Message by Paul Thompson

Sunday, February 13 | 10:00am
Acts: A Church Afire
Prayer: The Power to be on Mission
 Acts 1:12-26
 Message by Paul Thompson

Sunday Morning Schedule

8:00am Call to Prayer, Sanctuary
 8:30am Life Group
 10:00am Worship, Fellowship Center
 Live Stream on Facebook & YouTube
 Kid's Worship, Grades 1-5,
 Chapel (except 1st Sunday)
 11:00am Worship Broadcast on JoyFM
 94.3/96.1 with a 1 wk delay.

¹³ He is clothed in a robe dipped in blood, and the name by which he is called is The Word of God.
 ... ¹⁶ On his robe and on his thigh he has a name written, King of kings and Lord of lords.

- Revelation 19:13, 16

