

The Normal Christian Life is a *Sensible* Life

Titus 2:1-10

Sound Doctrine – God and the “Grain of Reality”

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom, and the knowledge of the Holy One is insight. (Proverbs 9:10)

What is sound doctrine?

What is the expected fruit/result of “sound doctrine”?

To “older men” ... (v. 2)

- Temperate =
- Worthy of respect =
- Self-controlled =
- _____ in faith, love, and endurance =

A question for our “older men”:

To “older women” ... (v. 3-5)

“likewise ...”

- Reverent in the way you live =
- Not be slanderers -
- Not addicted to much wine -
- Teachers of good ...

_____ the “**younger women**” (most likely the newly married) to ...

- love their families
- be self-controlled & pure
- be busy at home
- be kind
- be subject to their husbands

That the worth of God’s Word might be _____ and God’s glory _____ in our lives

A question for our “older women”:

A question for our “younger women”:

To the “younger men” ... (v. 6)

- Be _____

A question for our “younger men”:

To Titus (and for us) ... (v. 7-8)

You teach best when your _____ shows the impact of your _____. Everything we do either _____ or _____ what we say.

2 critical elements for every teacher:

- 1) _____
- 2) _____

To servants/slaves ... (v. 9-10)

- Submissive
- Pleasing
- Respectful
- Honest

The ultimate reason?

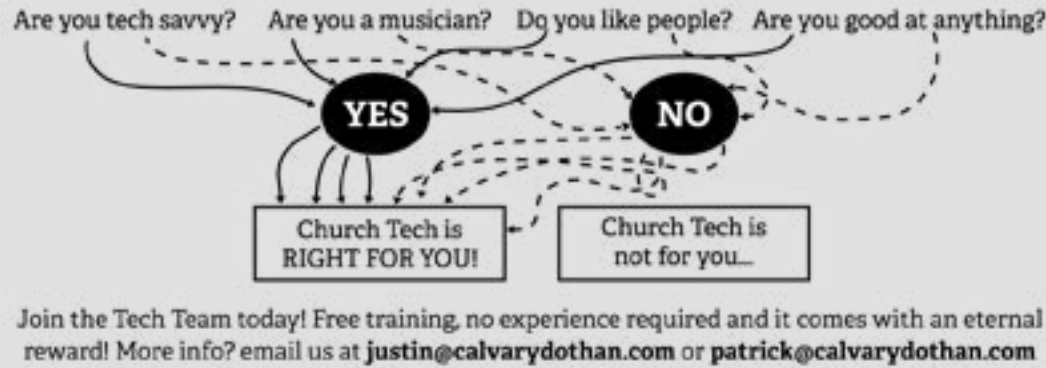
The ultimate reality?

Conclusion ...

We all have the capacity to _____ or _____ the Gospel (vs. 5, 8, 10). We gave give evidence to the practical sensibility of our faith, or we can _____ it.

Which will it be?

*Dr. Paul Thompson
Calvary Baptist Church
June 18, 2023*



Join the Worship Team!

If you are a singer and/or a musician and are interested in using your gifts to serve the church, this invitation is for you! We promise to train and equip you. All we ask is that you are humble and teachable. If you have questions, contact Rebekah McLure at rebekah@calvarydothan.com.

Annie Armstrong offering for North American Missions

Thank you for your gifts to the Annie Armstrong offering! We received \$37,230.

Pray for Our Upcoming Mission Trips

Oregon | June 23-July 1

Bill & Joyce Alexander	Randy & Sandra Hunt
Brenda Breedlove	Judi Lindey
Elizabeth Hunt	Sharon Parrish

American Red Cross Blood Drive

Wednesday, June 21 | 2-6pm | Parlor

Be the lifeline patients need by giving blood. To make an appointment to donate, use the QR code or visit redcrossblood.org.

Member Meeting

Wednesday, June 28 | Sanctuary

All members are encouraged to attend this important meeting at 6:45pm at the end of the Midweek service.

Family Night at Water World

Sunday, July 23 | 5:30-7:30 pm | \$5 per person

Don’t miss our annual Calvary Family Night at Water World! Concession stand in the park will be open.

Summer at Calvary - Midweek

6pm Midweek Bible Study, Sanctuary (Not meeting July 5)
 Birth-K5, Preschool Building
 Grades 1-5, Kids Worship Room
 Grades 6-12, Student Room

Summer at Calvary - Sundays

8am Call to Prayer, Parlor (Not meeting July 2)
 8:30am Life Group & Open Classes (No Life Group & Open Classes on July 2)
 10am Worship, Fellowship Center (Will meet in the Sanctuary on July 2)
 Kids Worship, Grades 1-5, Kids Worship Room (except 1st Sunday)
 No Kids Worship in July

No Sunday Night Family Worship on July 2

4 Reasons Every Church Needs Senior Saints

Sometimes senior saints question their usefulness in the church as they age. That’s unfortunate because they’re an essential part of the body of Christ. Although we trust in our sovereign and wise God to add and take away from his local body as he sees fit, church life is different without them.

... our elderly members are not only loved by their Good Shepherd and Savior—they’re also loved and needed by his people.

1. We need your prayers.

We need older members to pray out loud during worship services, Bible studies, and prayer meetings. We also need their private prayers.

Sometimes, I’ll see God work in a way that can only be explained by a work of his Spirit in somebody’s life or in salvation. When this happens, I think, “God has answered the prayers of one of my sisters in Christ,” because I know there are several elderly ladies who pray for our church, our community, and my pastoral ministry regularly.

2. We need your practical, biblical wisdom.

Whether through teaching a class or sharing a comment during a Bible study or encouraging a young mom during fellowship, every church members needs the wisdom that comes from decades of studying the Word mixed with decades of life experience.

Senior saints, please continue to speak into the lives of younger believers with love and truth and grace. The church needs your wisdom not simply because you’re older, but because you bring the practical, biblical wisdom that only comes from marinating in the Word and walking with Christ in both life’s joys and sorrows.

3. We need your encouragement.

As a senior saint, your words of encouragement matter.

I’ve seen young, sleep-deprived parents light up when an older person in the church tells them, “Your kids are a joy.” I’ve seen discouraged empty-nesters, struggling with change, rediscover hope as they remember God’s faithfulness in your marriages of over 50 years

As the Psalmist exclaims, “One generation shall commend your works to another, and shall declare your mighty acts” (Psalm 145:4). Don’t hesitate to share your stories of provision and grace and forgiveness, and to remind us of God’s goodness and faithfulness. Senior saint, we need your encouragement.

4. We need your presence.

We know it takes a lot of work for older folks to get to church. We know that there will come a day that we need to come to you, rather than you coming to us. But until that day, we need your presence.

There’s something particularly special about the redeemed people of God coming together for worship and seeing a spectrum of ages. There’s something about coming together to worship with people who are different than us—even generationally—that points to the beauty of the gospel and the glory of God. There’s something about knowing fellow saints who can speak of God never abandoning them through decades that powerfully reminds us of the faithfulness of God.

We don’t call you “senior saint” because you’re perfect or because you don’t have struggles like the rest of us. We call you “senior saint” because your faith in Christ in your senior years points to the fact that the same God who saves is the same God who sustains. Lift your heads, dear senior saints.

You’re needed. Please don’t stop serving.

By Tim Counts

Tim Counts is the pastor of Northshire Baptist Church in Manchester Center, Vermont.

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

June 18, 2023

Please complete this tab, tear it off and drop it in an offering plate, or in the boxes by the exits.

- Please update my information
- Please contact me about membership

I am a:

- First Time Guest
- Attender
- 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 _____

Name / Date of Birth _____

Name / Date of Birth _____

Name / Date of Birth _____

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

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June Missions Spotlight

Joe and Andi Carroll (Global Missions Partner)

The Carrolls seek to serve the members of Erbil Baptist Church by encouraging them to be bold in their witness and have wisdom to seek the salvation of their family, friends, and neighbors. They are also working towards the planting of a Kurdish-speaking church in this region as well as starting a school to open this Fall. If you would like to learn more about the ministry work of Joe and Andi you can visit erbilbaptist.church. If you would like to know how to pray for the Carrolls, please pick up a prayer card at the mission's kiosk in the FC foyer.

Dare to Hope (Local Missions Partner)

Dare to Hope is a ministry bringing the hope of Jesus Christ to women who are hurting and hopeless due to exploitation. They serve those who are at risk of exploitation and exist to provide spiritual and emotional support as well as practical solutions that foster healing and wholeness for women leading them from vulnerability to stability. If you would like to learn more about the ministry work of Dare to Hope you can visit daretohope.net. Prayer needs can be found on prayer cards at the mission's kiosk in the FC foyer.

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THE PEOPLE CAME...

June 11

Life Group: 488
10:00 Worship: 540
Hispanic Church: 128
Neighborhood Church (NY): 25

THE PEOPLE GAVE...

General Fund

Given June 11: \$33,638.62
Y-T-D Budget
Surplus (Deficit): (\$97,802.95)
Annie Armstrong Y-T-D: \$37,230

5-DAY BIBLE READING PROGRAM

Week 25, June 18-24

- Proverbs 29-31; 1 Thess 4
- Song of Sol 1-3; Psalm 72; 1 Thess 5
- Song of Sol 4-6; 2 Thess 1
- Song of Sol 7-8; Psalm 127; 2 Thess 2
- 1 Kings 5; 2 Thess 3

Midweek Schedule

6:00pm Midweek Worship, Sanctuary
Preschool, Birth-K5, Preschool Building
Children, Grades 1-5, Kids Worship Room
Students, Grades 6-12, Student Room

I'm New Here



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.

To fill out a digital Connect Card or learn more about Calvary, please use your smartphone camera to scan the QR Code or you can fill out the Connect Card in this bulletin and place it in the offering plate or in one of the offering boxes when you exit the Fellowship Center.

Also, be sure to stop by our Next Steps table after the service for a gift from us!

How to Become a Christian

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

If you would like to view a pdf of today's sermon notes, go to calvarydothan.com/messages.

Ministry Staff

Paul Thompson.....Senior Pastor
Charles Uptain.....Executive Pastor
Dan Tankersley.....Discipleship
Patrick Lima.....Worship
Tommy Perry.....Missions

STAFF ON CALL

Sunday, June 18:

Joyce Alexander | 334-798-4791

Saturday, June 24:

Dan Tankersley | 334-655-8765

Sunday, June 25:

Dan Tankersley | 334-655-8765

SERMON SCHEDULE

Wednesday, June 21 | 10am

Worship and Generosity

Exodus 35

Message by Dave Lindey

Sunday, June 25 | 10am

The Normal Christian Life

Is A Gospel Life

Titus 2:11-15

Message by Paul Thompson

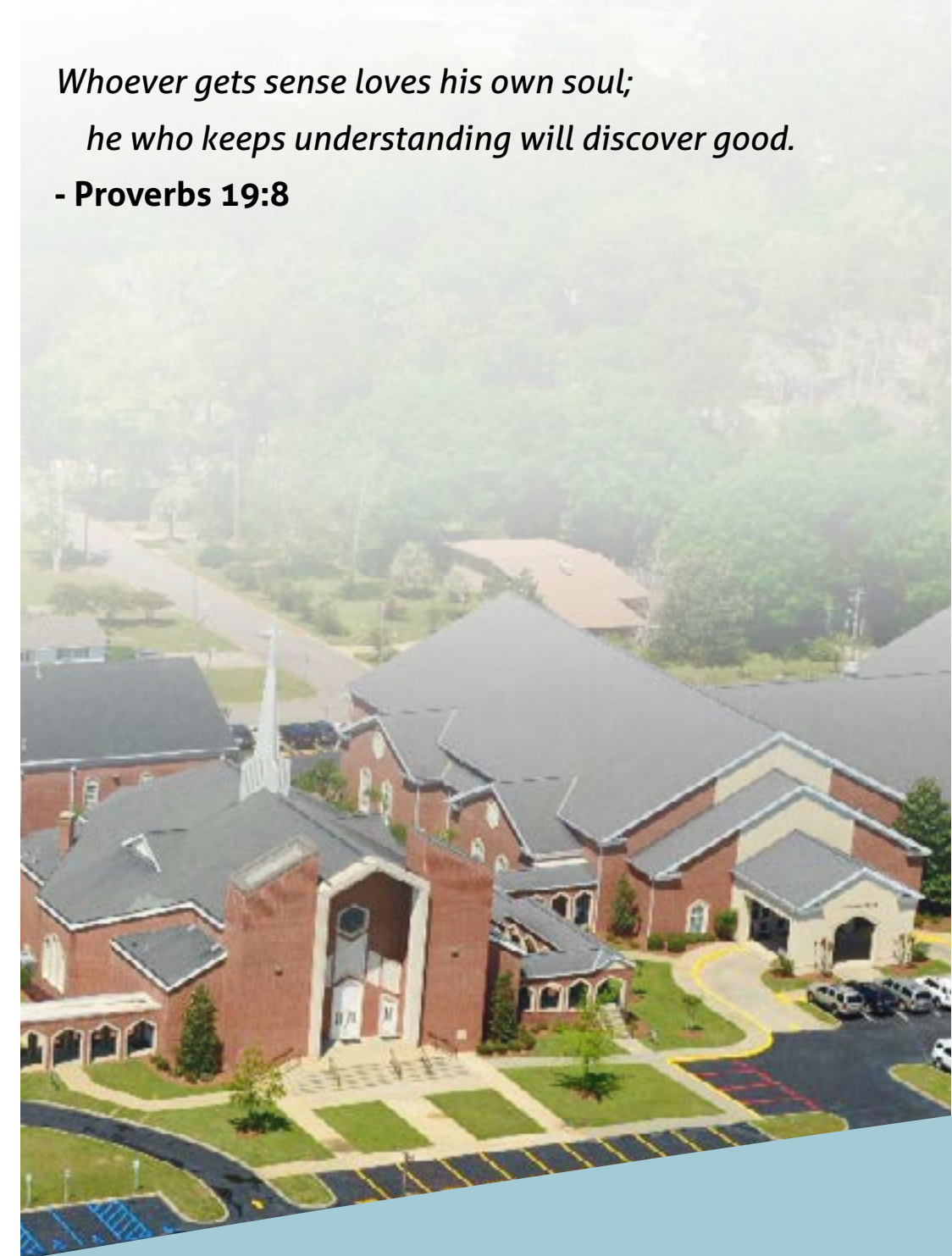
Sunday Morning Schedule

8:00am Call to Prayer, Parlor
8:30am Life Group/Open Classes
10:00am Worship, Fellowship Center
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.

Whoever gets sense loves his own soul;

he who keeps understanding will discover good.

- Proverbs 19:8



WELCOME TO
Calvary
BAPTIST CHURCH