

Jesus: Divine, Yet Despised

Isaiah 53:1-3

We Were Blind to His Beauty

He was _____ in his birth.
He had a typical " _____ ". (Matthew 1:1-17)
He was _____ – like us. (Hebrews 2:17)
He was _____ in his appearance.
He was _____ our expectations. (cf. Isa. 9:6-7)

There he was – right in front of us – and we did not _____.

We Abhorred Him for His Agony

We ‘measured’ Him and considered him _____.
Our _____ were corrupted and incapable of _____. (Rom. 1:18-23, 3:11a; 1 Cor. 2:14)
We looked at him and saw nothing of _____.
Our _____ were bankrupt and incapable of _____. (Rom. 3:11b-12; Eph. 2:1-2; 2 Cor 4:4)

We _____ Him and we _____ Him.
Our _____ were enslaved and incapable of _____. (Rom. 8:7-8; John 6:44, 65)

“Every aspect of human nature is inadequate; every avenue along which, by nature, we might arrive at the truth and respond to God is closed.”
Alec Motyer, *The Prophecy of Isaiah*, pp. 429.

Who then *has* believed?

Every Gospel presentation holds the trustworthy promise that _____ who accept God’s terms will be _____. (Acts 2:21; Rom. 10:13)
But in our spiritually dead condition, we are _____ of seeing the “glory of God in the face” of Jesus and _____ to turn to Jesus in saving faith. (2 Cor. 4:3-6)
So what hope do we have?

Why then have they believed?

In a word – _____ – God’s grace expressed in His _____. (Matt. 22:1-14; Luke 14:16-24; Acts 2:14-39; Romans 8:28-30)
Consider the witness of 2 Thess. 2:13-14:
¹³ But we ought always to give thanks to God for you, brothers beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the firstfruits to be saved, through sanctification by the Spirit and belief in the truth.
¹⁴ To this he called you through our gospel, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.
God _____.
God _____.
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_____.

Sometimes the Holy Spirit will awaken us and draw us _____ – as in the cases of Paul (Acts 9:1-9, 22:6-11, 26:9-20) and Lydia (Acts 16:14).
More often, He awakens and illuminates and draws us in a manner that is imperceptibly _____, _____, and _____ (Rom. 1:6-7, 8:30; 1 Cor. 1:9, 26; 2 Pet. 1:10).
And when – by His grace, He does call – we must _____ in _____.
“When God works in us, the will, being sweetly changed and sweetly breathed on by the Spirit of God, desires and acts not from compulsion, but responsively.”
Martin Luther, *The Bondage of the Will*, pp. 73.

My Response:

Has God called you – and you responded in grateful, saving faith?
Then _____ Him.
Is God calling you – and you have not yet responded in faith?
Then _____ Him.

Are you burdened right now for one who is lost?
Give him/her the _____ and then _____ Him and _____.

*Dr. Paul Thompson
Calvary Baptist Church
November 26, 2023*

Sunday, November 26

10am Worship

Angels From The Realms Of Glory

Scripture Reading & Prayer of Supplication.....Zach Daniels
Exodus 15:2

The Lord is my strength and my song, and he has become my salvation; this is my God, and I will praise him, my father's God, and I will exalt him.

Behold The Lamb

The Love Of God

Scripture Reading & Prayer of Adoration..... Charles Uptain
Philippians 2:9-11

⁹ Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰ so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹ and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Offering

The Wonderful Cross

Message Paul Thompson
Jesus: Divine, Yet Despised
Isaiah 53:1-3

53 Who has believed what he has heard from us? And to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed? ² For he grew up before him like a young plant, and like a root out of dry ground; he had no form or majesty that we should look at him, and no beauty that we should desire him. ³ He was despised and rejected by men, a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief; and as one from whom men hide their faces he was despised, and we esteemed him not.

Response

Jesus Paid It All

Benediction Tommy Perry
1 Thessalonians 5:23-24

²³ 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. ²⁴ He who calls you is faithful; he will surely do it.

5pm Worship

Nicene Creed, Scripture Reading & Prayer of Thankfulness..... Charles Uptain
Zechariah 9:9

Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation is he, humble and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

Come Thou Long Expected Jesus

All My Boast Is In Jesus

O Come, O Come Emmanuel

Vermont Mission Panel

Message Paul Thompson
A Nicene Christmas: We Believe In the Son — Truly God and Truly Man
Luke 1:26-37; Matthew 1:1-17

All Creatures Of Our God And King

Lottie Moon Offering for International Missions

Calvary's Goal: \$150,000
Every penny of this offering is used to support Southern Baptist missionaries as they share the hope and grace we have in Jesus Christ.



Breakfast in Bethlehem
Saturday, December 2
9:30-11:30am | Fellowship Center
A preschool family event for ages 3 (by 9/1/23) through K5. Use the QR code to register.

2024 Budget Vote

There will be a vote for the 2024 budget at the conclusion of the AM service on Sunday, December 3.

Meaningful Membership Class

Sunday, December 3 | 1-5pm | Office Conference Room
If you are interested in knowing more about Calvary or would like to join and are not able to attend all four Sunday morning classes, join us for this intensive 4-hour class. All the material will be covered in this one class. If you plan to attend and/or need childcare, call the church office or email angie@calvarydothan.com by Wednesday, November 29. The 4-week Meaningful Membership Class will be on Sundays, January 7-28, at 8:30 am in the ROC.

Parent-Child Commitment Service

Sunday, December 10 | 10am Worship
Email joyce@calvarydothan.com if you would like to be a part of this commitment time with your child. There is a meeting on Wednesday, November 29, at 6pm in the office building conference room.

Opportunity for Local Missions Volunteers

Girard Intermediate is a place where we, as followers of Christ and members of this local expression of His Church, can make a difference in the lives of young boys and girls. We would love for you to do this by signing up to be a mentor and tutor for the next generation of children that reside in our community. All you will need is compassion, patience, and the willingness to be a one-on-one tutor 30 minutes to 1 hour a week. If you would like more details or wish to volunteer, email tommy@calvarydothan.com.

Winter Open Class Schedule

Everyone participating in Open Classes on Sundays and Wednesdays will meet in the ROC downstairs prior to heading to class.

Sunday Mornings (Dec 3-Feb 18) | 8:30am

Meaningful Membership | Jan. 7-28 | Teachers: Paul Thompson, Charles Uptain & Dan Tankersley
New Testament 2 | Teachers: Tim Gannon & Joseph Parden

Christianity Explained (6-weeks) & Pursuing Holiness (6-weeks) | Teachers: Sam Tarwater, Don Mills, & Dan Tankersley

Marriage | Teachers: Charles Uptain & David Glover

Wednesday Evenings (Dec 6-Feb 28) | 6pm

No Classes December 27
On Wednesdays, adults have the option to meet with their Life Group or D-Group or attend an Open Class.
Systematic Theology 2 | Teachers: Paul Thompson & Dave Lindey
Singleness and Dating | Teacher: James Wells & Matt Childree
Discipling | Teachers: Key Mahone & Chuck Arney

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

November 26, 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

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November Missions Spotlight

Steve and Toni Chambers (Neighborhood Church UWS)

Steve and Toni moved to NYC in the Fall of 2017 with the intent of planting a church in the city. By God's grace that became a reality and Neighborhood Church was born. Steve's mission for the church is simple: Love God and Love Your Neighbor. If you would like to learn more about the ministry work of the Chambers in NYC, you can visit facebook.com/neighborhoodchurchuws or neighborhoodchurchuws.com.

Fostering Hope (Local Missions Partner)

The leadership of Fostering Hope has a desire to support, encourage, and assist foster families and children of the Wiregrass. Their mission: Fostering hope by sharing Christ's love with foster families and children of the Wiregrass. If you would like to know more about the ministry work of Fostering Hope you can visit facebook.com/fosteringhopewiregrass or fosteringhopewiregrass.com.

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| Patrick Lima |Worship |
| Tommy Perry |Missions |
| Joyce Alexander |Preschool |
| Zach Daniels |Children |
| Reagan Farris |Students |
| Randy Hunt |Senior Adults |

December Holiday Schedule & Events

Saturday, December 2

Breakfast in Bethlehem | 9:30am | Fellowship Center

Sunday, December 10

Kids Choir sing in PM service
Fellowship following PM service

Sunday, December 24

Life Groups & Open Classes | 8:30am
AM Worship | 10am | Sanctuary
Christmas Eve Service | 5pm | Fellowship Center

Wednesday, December 27

No Midweek Activities

Sunday, December 31

Life Groups & Open Classes | 8:30am
AM Worship | 10am | Sanctuary
NO PM Service

THE PEOPLE CAME...

November 19

Life Group: 575
10:00 Worship: 674
5:00 Worship: 151
Hispanic Church: 135
Neighborhood Church (NY): 25

THE PEOPLE GAVE...

General Fund

Given November 19: \$49,050.91
Y-T-D Budget
Surplus (Deficit): (\$152,738.47)

5-DAY BIBLE READING PROGRAM

Week 48, November 26-December 3

- Zechariah 9-11; 1 John 5
- Zechariah 12-14; Psalm 94; 2 John
- Ezra 5-6; Psalm 95; 3 John
- Esther 1-3; Psalm 139; Revelation 1
- Esther 4-6; Revelation 2

Sunday Schedule

8:30am Life Groups & 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.
5:00pm Family Worship, Sanctuary
Childcare for Babies-K3

STAFF ON CALL

Sunday, November 26:

Dan Tankersley | 334-655-8765

Saturday, December 2:

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Sunday, December 3:

Randy Hunt | 334-791-7986

SERMON SCHEDULE

Sunday, December 3

10am

Jesus: Suffering, yet Saving
Isaiah 53:4-6
Message by Paul Thompson

5pm

A Nicene Christmas:
We Believe in the Son — Crucified, Risen,
Ascended, and Returning
1 Corinthians 15:1-7, 21-28
Message by Paul Thompson

Wednesday Schedule

6:00pm Open Classes, D-Groups, Life
Groups
Birth-K5, Preschool Bldg
Grades 1-5, Chapel
Grades 6-12, Student Room
7:00pm Choir Rehearsal, Choir 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!

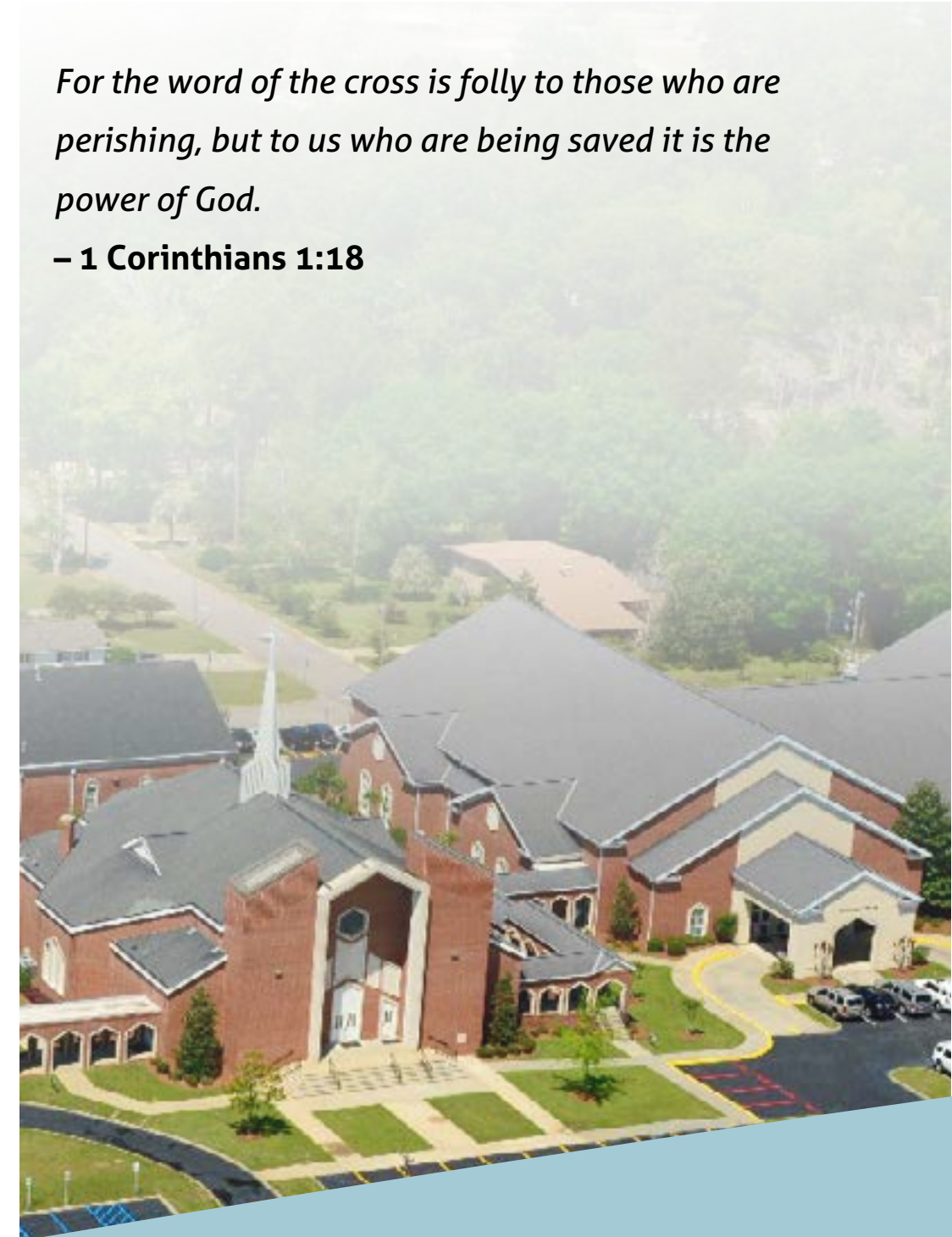
How to Become a Christian

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 AM sermon notes, go to calvarydothan.com/messages.

For the word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

– 1 Corinthians 1:18



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BAPTIST CHURCH