



SPRING HILL CHURCH

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THE CHURCH IS HERE TO STAY

“Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another; and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.”

—Hebrews 10:25

The first one ever to use the word church was not the apostle Paul. Rather, it was Jesus Himself. He said, *“Upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.”* (Matthew 16:18)

When Jesus walked this earth, He started only one organization, and that was the church. By stating the gates of hell will not prevail against His church, Jesus was saying, “Listen, this church is here to stay. Against all odds, it will prevail.”

Interestingly, Jesus made this statement at a place called Caesarea Philippi. We could miss the significance of that altogether. But Caesarea Philippi was a place of paganism and

false belief. In fact, the Greeks had dedicated Caesarea Philippi to Pan, one of their gods. And if you were to go there today, you would see what is left of a site dedicated to false gods and idols.

In contrast, the foundation of the church is Christ Himself. He will build His church, and the gates of Hell will not conquer it. This reminds us that the church will face hostility and opposition.

The word church comes from the Greek word ecclesia. And ecclesia consists of two other terms that mean “out from” and “called.” When we put them together, the meaning of ecclesia, or church, is “called out from.”

From what is the church called out? We are called out from the world and this culture. Jesus was saying, My followers should be separate from this culture.”

But we also are called to.

God has called us to Himself and to one another.

Wherever God’s people gather together, that place turns into a sanctuary. That’s because the church is not a building; it is people. Jesus said, “For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them. (Matthew 18:20). That is what the church is. When we love God, we will love His children. And when we don’t love His children, then the question arises as to how much we really love God. It is popular today to criticize the church. But understand this: When you speak critically of the church, you are speaking critically of those whom Jesus loves.

Some people claim to be Christians, but they don’t attend church. However, if you really are a Christian, then you should long to be with God’s people.

The Bible says, “Not for-

saking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching” (Hebrews 10:25). If you love God, then you will love His people

As Christians, we need to live up to our name, which means “Christ followers.” And we need to be Christ like.

If each of us would be what we ought to be as followers of Jesus and as a part of the church, what a difference it would make in our communities, our country, and the world.

JESUS SAVES



PRAYER REQUESTS:

- SHARON
- SHANNON
- CODY & KIDS
- LAURA & KIDS
- DALE & DONNA
- TOMMY & ANGIE
- JAMIE, LACEY & KIDS
- DENNIS, SANDY & ANDY
- CAROL
- CALEB
- CINDY & BUTCH
- FRAN
- MIKE & MARY
- BRUCE & PATSY
- KENNY
- DON
- LAWRNCE, JAN & FAMILY
- MARK & MICHELLE
- JASON & FAMILY
- ASIAN MISSION
- OUR CHURCH
- THOSE ON PRAYER BOARD
- RANDALL
- PATSY'S MOM
- THE LOST
- BRIAN & JERI
- GRACIE
- LEAH
- THOSE WITH CANCER

If you're looking for Christians
to mess up,
THEY WILL.

If you're looking for pastor to
say something wrong,
HE WILL.

If you're waiting for that person that
goes to that church to look like
a hypocrite,
THEY WILL.

If you're looking for dirt to dig up,
YOU'LL FIND IT.

The shortcomings of Christians are
not proof that GOD is a sham,
They're just proof that GOD is
infinitely, powerful,
patient and forgiving.

**"You never
know how
strong you are
until being
strong is the
only choice
you have."**





**There's no air in hell...because
God is a breath of life.**

**There is no peace in
hell...because God is the prince
of peace. There is no comfort in
hell...because God is the
comforter.**

**There is no love in hell...because
God is love.**

**Hell is darkness...because God
is the light.**

YOU DON'T HAVE TO GO THERE!!

**But there is only one way to
escape it, and that is through
salvation in the name of Jesus
Christ.**

**Every phone
needs a charger,
every student
needs a teacher,
and every soul
needs Jesus.**

Faith

**is when you praise
God in the storm,
you trust Him in the
valley, and you follow
Him in the dark.**

**If GOD is the reason
why you are still
breathing. Praise Him.**

AMEN!

**If God can forgive me for my
mistakes, certainly I should
forgive others for theirs. If
God doesn't judge me,
despite my many flaws, then
I should realize that I have
absolutely no right to judge
others. And if God is my
guiding light on my darkest
day, then surely I should be
someone's hope when they
lose their way.**

-Debbie R Lachin-

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SUNDAY SCHOOL..... 10:00AM
SUNDAY WORSHIP.....11:00AM
SUNDAY NIGHT.....6:00PM
WEDNESDAY NIGHT..... 7:30PM

EVERYONE WELCOME

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**Most of the scars on
people's hearts weren't left
by their enemies.
They were left by the
people who
claimed to love
them the
most.**

**Call me old fashion
but Repentance is
still necessary.
Holiness is still right,
and the blood still
works!
AMEN**

I LOVE THIS ANALOGY:

You are holding a cup of coffee when someone comes along and bumps into you or shakes your arm, making you spill your coffee everywhere.

Why did you spill the coffee?

"Because someone bumped into me!!!"

Wrong answer:

You spilled the coffee because there was coffee in your cup. Had there been tea in the cup, you would have spilled tea.

What ever is inside the cup is what will spill out.

Therefore, when life comes along and shakes you (Which will happen)", whatever is inside you will come out. It is easy to fake it, until you get rattled.

So we have to ask ourselves....what's in my cup?"

When life gets tough, what spills out? Joy, gratitude, peace and humility?

Anger, bitterness, victim mentality and quitting tendencies?

Life provides the cup, YOU choose how to fill it.

Today let's work towards filling our cups with gratitude, forgiveness, joy, word of affirmation, resilience, positivity and kindness, gentleness and love for others.

My grandpa once said:

Your terrible job is the dream of the unemployed. Your house is the dream of the homeless. Your smile is the dream of the depressed. Your health is the dream of the ill.

Don't let difficult times make you forget your blessings



August 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
4 CONFERENCE	5	6	7 JAKE	8	9 DON	10 WORK DAY BRUCE
11 ANNISTON	12	13	14	15	16	17 WHITFIELD PLACE 2 PM
18 BRUCE & PATSY	19	20	21 JAMIE	22	23 GRACIE	24
25 SANDWICH NIGHT	26	27	28	29	30	31 (TERRY & SHANNON)