

GRANDVIEW

First Baptist Church

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A Word From Our Pastor

As we continue on Sunday mornings in the letters of 1st and 2nd Timothy, there is a foundational truth on which we must be crystal clear. That truth is the gospel message. The problem that the apostle Paul is addressing as he writes to his "child in the faith" (1:2) is that a distraction away from truth, leads to a replacement of the truth with something that is false. There are many topics addressed throughout the two letters of Paul to Timothy, all dealing with the structure and order of the church, but at the core of these topics is the preservation of the gospel truth.

Within the Ephesian church were a group of leaders teaching "myths and endless genealogies" (1:4). Now on the surface, this may not seem as serious as some other issues Paul addresses with other churches in the New Testament, until you connect 1 Timothy 1:4 with 1:3. Not only was there a devotion to "myths and endless genealogies" but there were "certain persons" teaching "different doctrine" (1:3). So then what is the connection? Are these two separate issues? I don't think that they are. I believe that it was the devotion to "myths and endless genealogies" that led to these "certain persons" teaching "different doctrine." Plus, in the apostle Paul's warning to the Ephesian elders in Acts 20, he warns that among them "will arise men speaking twisted things" (Acts 20:30). What this means is that even though these "myths and endless genealogies" may not have blatantly contradicted the gospel, it distracted the church away from the truth which opened them up to a "different doctrine."

Over the last few weeks, you might have thought that we are not prone to "myths and genealogies" so what is the point? Does what Paul says to Timothy have any bearing on us? In short, yes! The issue is not "myths and genealogies" but ideas that distract. For example, several years ago, how many churches jumped on the bandwagon of the end-time series "Left Behind?" How about the emphasis that other churches place on speaking in tongues? It doesn't have to be another teaching though. It could be an overemphasis on a building project or an obsession with a certain ministry. Anything within the church that places an emphasis on something other than the truth of the gospel, would fit the bill of what Paul is aiming at with Timothy. The result then, is that truth may then only be assumed instead of emphasized, leaving the church susceptible to a "different doctrine" rising up.

Therefore our goal at First Baptist Church is to focus on and be absolutely clear with this gospel message. We want to always be proclaiming the good news about who Jesus is, what He came to do and why we so desperately need Him. The gospel that we proclaim says that God is infinitely holy, man is utterly sinful and in his atoning death, Jesus was perfectly righteous. Therefore, we as sinful men and women need what Jesus did through his righteous life and his atoning death to be applied to us. This comes through repentance of sin and faith in Christ alone. Our desire is that this message would clearly permeate through every service and every ministry of our church.

There are many advantages to being upfront and clear in our gospel proclamation. Through our declaring of



Prayer Group

All are invited for a time of prayer in the church library at 9 AM on Sunday mornings before the Sunday School hour.



New Members Class

9:15 AM Sundays in February Please see Pastor Michael for additional information.



Expanded Worship Rehearsal

Sundays following the morning service Additional information and the signup sheet are available on the bulletin board.



Awana Bible Club for Kids

Sunday Evenings 5:15 PM Awana Dinner 5:45 PM Awana Club



Life Discipleship

Sunday Evenings at 6 PM In the Fellowship Hall



Raymore Home Group

7 PM Mondays "Jesus in Genesis" at the Norman Home

Grandview Home Group

6:30 PM Wednesdays Study of I, II, and III John at the Nelson Home

Please sign up on the bulletin board in the main hall.



Lottie Moon Offering

for international missions FBC Goal: \$10,000.00 Received: \$10,202.34

Thank you for helping us reach our goal!





Sunday School Teacher Meeting

Following the morning activities on Sunday, February 23

This meeting and lunch is for teachers of all classes, children, youth, abounding love, and adult. All teachers are asked to please sign up on the bulletin board.

Thank you!



Trustee Meeting

7 PM Tuesday, February 25 All trustees are asked to meet at the church building at 7 PM to

work on existing projects and to do a walk-through of the entire church building in order to see what other tasks need to be accomplished.

The trustees are scheduled to meet at 7 PM on the last Tuesday of every month.



Join us for our members' meeting on March 25th. We will have a little bit of a different format this time. We will begin with a potluck dinner, followed by singing, praying, hearing updates from various ministries as well as deciding on any necessary business. We will meet at 6:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall. We hope that you will come.

Dear Timothy -

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Christ, we confront unbelievers who might be in our midst on a continual basis. We don't need to have a special evangelist focus Sunday for this either. Every passage of Scripture should lend itself to gospel proclamation. As Charles Spurgeon said, we take the text and make a beeline for the cross in every service. But then the gospel ought to be spoken in our Sunday school classes, in our prayers, through our conversations and then displayed in our very lives. This is what our mission statement means when we say that we as First Baptist Church will strive to declare and demonstrate the power of God through Jesus Christ. It means that we will speak and live the gospel message that we believe.

We can't assume that those around us know this message, nor can we become distracted with other issues. No, we desperately need to hear the truth every day. As Paul reminds Timothy, so too we need to be reminded continually that Christ came to save sinners (1 Tim. 1:15). This affects not only our souls for salvation, but our very view of how we approach every situation and circumstance in our life. Therefore, let us be a people who are clear in our understanding of the gospel, but in our focus on the gospel too.

Serving Him with You, Pastor Michael Nelson



Sunday, March 8
Daylight Saving Time Begins

Saturday, March 21 All-Church Workday/Spring Cleaning

Wednesday, March 25 Members' Meeting

Friday, April 10 Office Closed for Good Friday Prepare for Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday, April 11 Easter Egg Hunt

Sunday, April 12 Easter Brunch and Service

Saturday, May 2 Harry's Hay Days

Monday, May 25 Office Closed for Memorial Day

Sunday, May 31 Sunday School Teacher Meeting



Prepare for Sunday's Service by visiting the link below. The layout of the service including the songs and scriptures are available.

http://firstbaptistgrandview.org/prepare-for-sunday/

FBC Regular Weekly Schedule

Sunday

9:00 AM Prayer Group in Library

9:15 AM Bible Study & Sunday School

10:30 AM Worship Service

5:15 PM Awana Meal

5:45 PM Awana Club

6:00 PM Life Discipleship

Wednesday

5:15 PM Worship Team Rehearsal 6:30 PM Student Ministry

Iglesia Pan De Vida Schedule

Sunday/Cada Domingo

5:00 PM Estudio Biblico en Español 6:00 PM Culto de Alabanza y Predicación en Españiol

Wednesday/Cada Miercoles

6:00 PM Reunion de Oración 7:00 PM Clases de inglés para adultos



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Student Ministry Home Group

6:30 PM the First Wednesday of every month at the Blankenship Home.

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Sunday, February 9, 10:30 AM

Babies: Cindy Jackson, Donna Martin Katy Neal, and Tammy Norman

Toddlers: Alaina Bonin

PreK: Shannon Farris and AG Gilliland

Deacons For Sunday Visitation:

David Hutchison and Scott Neal

Sunday, February 16, 10:30 AM

Babies: Sheryl Nelson, Victoria Rodgers
Carol Zagar, and Rachel Blankenship
Toddlers: David and Paula Hutchison
PreK: David and Paula Hutchison
Deacons For Sunday Visitation:
Jeff Norman and Bob Berning

Sunday, February 23, 10:30 AM

Babies: Leesa Bowman, Kay Hefner, Cindy Jackson, and Donna Martin Toddlers: Jack and Bonnie Jewell PreK: Jerry and Sandi Malone Deacons For Sunday Visitation: Clint Blankenship and David Hutchison

Sunday, March 1, 10:30 AM

Babies: Katy Neal, Tammy Norman Sheryl Nelson, and Victoria Rodgers Toddlers: Pam Parisse and Carolyn Wilson PreK: Tiffany Rettman and Sharon Spitzer Deacons For Sunday Visitation: Scott Neal and Jeff Norman

Have a question? Contact the office...

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Hours: 9 AM — 4 PM

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