

Sermon Outline

Sermon Title: "Why a Messiah?"

Big Idea: Why was a Messiah foretold and then fulfilled through the incarnation of Jesus?

Scripture: Galatians 3:23 - 4:7

Message Information:

We are - as proven throughout the Bible - both in example as well as doctrine - sinful by nature; rebellious against God, by nature.

"All have sinned" the Bible tells us in both the Old & New Testaments. To be close to God requires us to share in His righteousness - and therefore to be without sin. Humanly speaking, this is NOT possible.

We need a Messiah - a Deliverer - to rescue us from our spiritual situation as much as Israel needed one for theirs.

Under the old covenant, atonement was made for all the people by the sacrifice of animals and symbolically transferring the sin of the people onto a goat that was released into the wild.

The Messiah - Jesus, Son of God - came and changed all that. He literally became our scape goat, as a-Paul puts in 2 Cor 5:21 "God made Him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in Him we might become the righteousness of God."

In the verse before this, Paul implores his listeners to "become reconciled to God." May this be true for you, Amen!



We Strive to Follow Jesus Christ as We:

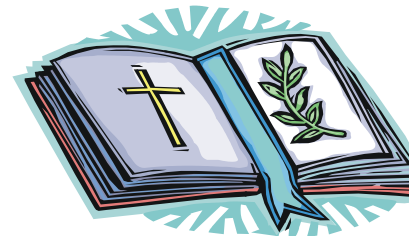
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December 10, 2017

"Why ...



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Sunday, December 10, 2017 Service

We are reinstating prayertime before the morning English service from 10:15 AM and ending 10:45 AM.

Welcome & Call to Worship

"O Come, O Come Emmanuel" #123

"Come Thou Long Expected Jesus" #124

"Come Ye Thankful People, Come" #559

Announcements & Prayer

Offering

Junior Church Send Off Prayer

Scripture Reading:

Galatians 3:23 – 4:7

With Roy

Sermon:

"Why a Messiah?"

With Pastor Ralph Hardy

Closing Hymn

"There Is Power in the Blood" #191

Benediction

Weekly Happenings

Sunday Worship:

English: 11:00 AM

Japanese: 9:30 AM

Korean: 12:30 PM

Prayer and Weekly Studies:

Wed. Night Study: Book of Isaiah

1st & 3rd Sat. 9 am, Japanese

Community Outreach:

Monday Night ESL: All Welcome.

(May still be from 7 PM to 9 PM).

Prayer Focus:

Pray for Joey G. as she recovers from fall and pray for Lawrence too.

Grace Ethiopian Church and Invitation to North American Church leaders.

Church Family:

Church of the Week: **Sointula Community Church**

Pray for the ESL program. Pray for Japanese & Korean language groups.

Birthdays and Anniversaries of the Month:

Dec 1, Mitsugi & Michiko's anniversary; Dec 4, Helen R;

Dec 9, Emily S; Dec 12, Grant A (Lisette's son); Dec 17, Rose T;

Dec 22, Ann C; Pastor Jacob F, also Dec 22;

Dec 23, Anna J (Andrew & Aimee's daughter);

Dec 27, Jacqui L; Dec 29, Wally S;

Upcoming Events to Note: