

TODAY'S SERMON SCRIPTURE

Genesis 18:22-33

²² The men turned away and went toward Sodom, but Abraham remained standing before the LORD. ²³ Then Abraham approached him and said: "Will you sweep away the righteous with the wicked?"

²⁴ What if there are fifty righteous people in the city? Will you really sweep it away and not spare the place for the sake of the fifty righteous people in it? ²⁵ Far be it from you to do such a thing—to kill the righteous with the wicked, treating the righteous and the wicked alike. Far be it from you! Will not the Judge of all the earth do right?"

²⁶ The LORD said, "If I find fifty righteous people in the city of Sodom, I will spare the whole place for their sake."

²⁷ Then Abraham spoke up again: "Now that I have been so bold as to speak to the Lord, though I am nothing but dust and ashes, ²⁸ what if the number of the righteous is five less than fifty? Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five people?"

"If I find forty-five there," he said, "I will not destroy it."

²⁹ Once again he spoke to him, "What if only forty are found there?" He said, "For the sake of forty, I will not do it." ³⁰ Then he said, "May the Lord not be angry, but let me speak. What if only thirty can be found there?" He answered, "I will not do it if I find thirty there."

³¹ Abraham said, "Now that I have been so bold as to speak to the Lord, what if only twenty can be found there?" He said, "For the sake of twenty, I will not destroy it."

³² Then he said, "May the Lord not be angry, but let me speak just once more. What if only ten can be found there?" He answered, "For the sake of ten, I will not destroy it."

³³ When the LORD had finished speaking with Abraham, he left, and Abraham returned home.

UPCOMING EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

Wednesday Night Events

- September 7** Service night at the church building 6:00 pm
we will be trimming bushes, weedeating, general clean up of the grounds.
- September 14** Singing & visitation at Southlake 6:30 pm
Letter writing at the building 6:30 pm
- September 21** Volunteering at LICS 6:30 pm
Letter writing at the building 6:30 pm
- September 28** TBA

Bridal Shower

For Lauren Tingen and Chris Pike will be held at the church on Sunday September 18th from 2-4 pm. They are registered at Bed Bath and Beyond and Target.

PRAYER REQUEST

Julia Furr, Norm & Lynn Gaines, John Chandler, Andrew Brown, Makonde Team

Jean Cottrell, has resumed chemo treatments, pray she will be able to tolerate them.

Jack Close is home from the hospital. Continue to pray for his recovery.

Leanne Badeaux remember her in prayer.

Marjorie O'Neal, Phyllis Bruff's mother, continue to lift the family up in prayer.

Chris Shedd, Ryan's brother is in jail in Georgia.

Sister Margaret in Guyana is not doing very well, please remember her in your prayers.

Amber Corbett, their home was broken into, pray that she will feel safe.

Faye Jex as she recovers from surgery. She will be moved to HealthSouth soon.

James David Watkins is to be delivered at Lexington Medical Center on Oct. 5th. Please pray for a speedy delivery and a healthy James.

SERVING TODAY September 4, 2011



WORSHIP LEADER: Rick Castleman

LORD'S SUPPER: Vernon Lowe

LORD SUPPER SERVERS: Tom Gilroy
A J McElfresh
Rom Kellis IV
Gary Cottrell
Mark Cox
Larry Baker
Davey Guill
Mason Bridges

ELDER BLESSING: Steve Izard

Our Celebration

September "Happenings" Video

*You Never Let Go
Blessed Be Your Name
Lord Reign Me*

Welcome by Rick Castleman
Scripture Reading

*Holy Father Grant Us Peace
The Greatest Command
Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus*

Communion Thoughts by Vernon Lowe
Bread (song: *Open Our Eyes Lord* bilingual)
Cup (song: *Father I Adore You* bilingual)
Giving & Family News

A New Anointing

Sermon by Allen Close: "Arguing For The Lost"
Special Guest Testimony by Tommy & Becky Brown
Invitation (song: *You Are My All In All*)

Elder Blessing

Days Of Elijah



Bob & Margaret Kelley



Sound Room: Chester Warren



Nursery Infants - 2 Yrs: Valerie Baker Hannah Baker
Nursery 2-3 yrs: Anna Cockrum Heather Gonda



Birthdays
Sept 4 Erma Izard Sept 7 Micah Castleman Sept 7 Luke Close
Sept 7 Hannah Akers Sept 7 Billy Mize

Anniversaries

Sept. 4 Eddie & Alma Ulmer Sept. 4 David & Karyn Giles
Sept. 7 Phil & Miriam Harrison Sept. 10 Zach & Debbie Ross

Pulpit Minister: Allen Close
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Bible Study
Sunday 9:00 AM

Assembly
Sunday 10:00 AM

Life Groups in homes
Sunday evenings

Bible Study
Wednesdays 7:00PM