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# RESCUE BAPTIST CHURCH

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SUNDAY APRIL 23, 2023

ISAIAH 53:9-10

And he made his grave with the wicked, and with the rich in his death; because he had done no violence, neither *was any* deceit in his mouth. Yet it pleased the LORD to bruise him; he hath put *him* to grief: when thou shalt make his soul an offering for sin, he shall see *his* seed, he shall prolong *his* days, and the pleasure of the LORD shall prosper in his hand.



## WELCOME TO RESCUE BAPTIST CHURCH

“Sinners are welcome at this church. We are a local body of the Lord Jesus Christ. As you spend time with us, you’ll soon discover we’re an imperfect church, with an imperfect pastor, yet by God’s undeserved grace, we preach, believe, and know the perfect gospel of our never-failing Lord Jesus Christ. We call His name Jesus for He shall, (not might, not maybe) but shall save His people from their sins, and every sinner that trusts in Christ is complete in Him, saved to the uttermost” Hebrews 7:25 (copied)

### SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Sunday Morning Bible Study 10:00 AM  
Sunday Morning Worship 11:00 AM  
Friday Night Bible Study 7:00 PM

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### I CAN'T MESS IT UP!

A dear friend was talking about how blessed the gospel of Christ's grace was. I can't remember all the details we talked about. I suppose we talked about electing love and redeeming grace and how the Lord in tender mercy called us out of darkness with a call we could not resist, and has kept us till that very day, and refused to let us go. When saints get to talking about spiritual things they often talk about such subjects as these. When our discussion was almost over, my dear friend put the icing on the cake, as it were. ***"And the best thing about this gospel,"*** he said, ***"I can't mess it up!"*** Jesus has finished the work, it is already done, so, ***"I can't mess it up."*** I am in Christ accepted and complete and sealed unto the day of redemption; in Christ now and in Christ forever so, ***"I can't mess it up."*** I feel like I have messed up everything else but, thanks be unto God I can't mess this up. I can't mess this up. It is un-messed-up-able. ~Pastor Bruce Crabtree

***"Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus"*** (Phil 2:5). ***"This mind"*** is one of humility. Christ humbly submitted himself to the will of his Father. Forsake all other righteousness's for the righteousness of Jesus Christ alone. This is the will of God for you in Christ Jesus. ~Pastor Eric Lutter

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- We welcome Brother Luke Coffey from Kingsport TN and thank you for your labor of Love to feed and edify His sheep.

### GRACE IS WHAT I NEED

God's free, abundant, satisfying, sanctifying grace! I need grace to believe God and to continue in that faith. I need grace to give and forgive, grace to love and be loved, grace to live and grace to die. If I have little grace, the fault is mine; for His grace is called, **"abundant grace."** The Lord may not give gold, but He will give grace. He may not give ease in life, but He will give grace in proportion to my need. He will certainly send me trials, but never without the grace to overcome. I may ask God for something which is not for my good and therefore He is not pleased to give it, but I may ask for as much grace as I will, and it will never be refused; for His throne is literally a throne of grace! **"Lord, fill me with Thy grace, make me an object of Thy grace, let my lips speak of Thy grace, and let my life be lived as a trophy of Thy grace!"** ~Henry Mahan

### FEAR NOT, LITTLE FLOCK

Luke 12:32

If the Lord be with us, we have no cause of fear. His eye is upon us, His arm over us, His ear open to our prayer, His grace sufficient, His promise unchangeable. All shall work together for good; everything is needful that He sends; nothing can be needful that He withholds.

- Though troubles assail – And dangers affright,
- Though friends should all fail – And foes all unite;
- Yet one thing secures us, – Whatever betide,
- The Scripture assures us, " –The Lord will provide."

-John Newton

I remember as a child, visiting my grandparents in the little country town of Tecumseh, Georgia. They lived in a farm house right beside the railroad tracks. My two brothers and I would often sleep together in a big old feather bed. The first few times we slept there, when that train came through we all thought it was going to run right over us. We couldn't hardly sleep. It was frightening. But after a few nights, we didn't hear that train at all. We slept without fear.

Brothers and sisters, I fear at times that some don't hear a Word that is being preached from this pulpit. Bless God, some hear the Word and tremble, but some make no response at all. Some literally sleep through the Word of the living God being proclaimed. I fear for those who do; that they are sleeping the sleep of death. Oh may the Lord quicken us according to His Word, before it is everlastingly too late. - Pastor Paul Mahan