

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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UNITY

Let us not set ourselves up as critics and judges of the conduct and lives of other believers. Let us not spend our time finding fault with one another, picking out weaknesses and exaggerating differences of opinion and practice. Rather, let us spend our time endeavoring to help one another and to avoid doing and saying things that may cause others to stumble.

We can do this by making our fellowship to be in Christ (not in form and traditions), by loving one another in spite of differences, and by avoiding collisions on the points wherein we differ. I am not suggesting for a moment that we compromise the gospel or the fundamentals of our faith; but, as there are no two snowflakes exactly alike, there are no two people exactly alike; therefore, the foundation of our fellowship is OUR LOVE FOR CHRIST and OUR LOVE FOR ONE ANOTHER, not perfect agreement on every point.

The fact of the matter is that I do not agree or approve of all that I do, think, and say! *“Beloved, let us love one another; for love is of God; and everyone that loveth is born of God and knoweth God.”* By God’s grace, I intend to love and encourage every believer in Christ, our sovereign Lord. I shall endeavor to keep the unity of the Spirit of God in the bond of peace for the glory of our Lord, the well-being of His church, and the witness of the gospel.

~Henry Mahan

ANNOUNCEMENT

- We will come to the Lord Table immediately following this morning message.

“I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish” (John 10:28).

It is for sure there is only one cure for spiritual death and that is spiritual life. Men may preach unto us our duties and obligations toward God and man but this will not cure us. Others may come and threaten us with future punishment, even eternal damnation, but, this will not cure us. Others will seek to educate and refine us and make us all nice and proper but this will not cure us. Nothing but new life, spiritual, divine life will cure us.

And this life is Jesus Christ. It is in Jesus Christ and it is from Jesus Christ and it is given by Jesus Christ as a free and sovereign gift - **‘I give unto them eternal life.’** There is only one cure for this mortal or dead and decaying, physical body and that is life. They embalm us or burn us or freeze us or put us in a strong box above the ground; They use every means to preserve these dead and decaying bodies but, there is only one cure. To have this mortal changed unto immortality or this corruptible risen in incorruption. To have life give to these dead bodies. And this life comes from the Son of God - **‘I give unto them eternal life.’** Not only to the soul but to the body. The whole life of the believer comes from the Lord - spiritual and physical - **“all that are in the graves shall hear his voice and come forth...unto the resurrection of life”** (John 5:28-29).

The whole of the believer’s life, soul and body, is utterly dependent upon the Lord Jesus Christ. In his life and living we have the assurance of our own; **“BECAUSE I live, you shall live also.”** And this life Christ gives is not temporary. **“I give unto them ETERNAL life.”** He gives life to the soul and it lives happily ever lasting. He gives life to the body and it will never suffer or grow old or die. Nothing about the life that Christ gives shall ever diminish or decay or be lost - ‘They shall never perish’ because, that life he gives shall never perish. This is the cure for the death that sin has brought us and this is the only cure.

~Bruce Crabtree

Conviction of Sin

Men do not need the Holy Spirit to feel guilt and shame when they transgress God’s moral law. For that, they have a conscience. Rom. 2:14-15. What we need the Holy Spirit to do, is convict us of the sin in our righteousness’s. The law of sin, written on the new heart, tells us that when we would do good, evil is ever present with us. Only then will we flee to our Sinless Substitute for all our acceptance before God. Thank God that in Christ Jesus we are free from the law of sin and death. There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus. Rom. 7: 21-8:1.

~Greg Elmquist