

"And in the same region there were shepherds out in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And an angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were filled with great fear. And the angel said to them, 'Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. And this will be a sign for you: you will find a baby wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger.' And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying, 'Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among those with whom he is pleased!""

Luke 2:8-14

WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP GATHERING

December 20, 2020

Welcome & Announcements

Adoration

Scripture Reading: Luke 2:1-14
Pastoral Prayer

Confession

Come Thou Long Expected Jesus

Assurance of Pardon

O Come O Come Emmanuel

Thanksgiving

What Child is This?

Petition

Prayer

Instruction

The Thrills and Thorns of Christmas Selected Scriptures

Lord's Table

Fellowship

Joy to the World Prayer & Dismissal

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College & Career

College & Career ministry will then be on break until January. For more information, contact Pastor Jason at jdrumm@ canyonprescott.org.

Men's Ministry

Men's ministry meets in small groups on different days and times in a variety of studies. For more information, contact Pastor Jason at jdrumm@canyonprescott.org.

Small Groups

Small Groups at Canyon Prescott are designed to give church members a smaller environment for fellowship during the week. These groups' aims are for instruction, which leads to growth in holiness as we grow in love and fellowship with one another. For more information, contact Dave Lutz at davidrlutz60@gmail.com.

Student Ministry

Student Ministry, Winter Retreat at Tonto Rim Christian Camp, will take place from Friday, January 22 - Sunday, January 24. The cost is \$130 and is due two weeks before camp by January 8. If there are any questions or you'd like to provide a scholarship for students, please contact the church office or email admin@canyonprescott.org.

Student Ministry meets is currently on break. For more information, go to canyonprescott.org/students.

Women's Ministry

Our new women's ministry format studies have started. These will be small groups of women meeting on different days and times in various homes for mutual spiritual benefit to one another. You can signup for a discipleship group by reaching out to Susan Cosgrove at (928) 671-1963 or bcozrn52@gmail. com.

CANYON ANNOUNCEMENTS

Christmas Eve Service

Our Christmas Eve service will be held at Prescott High School's Ruth Street Theater from 5:30-7:00 pm. Dessert and fellowship from 5:30-6:00 and service from 6:00-7:00.

SERMON APPLICATION

In response to Sunday's sermon pray over and answer the following application questions:
Are there examples to follow?
Commands to obey?
Errors to avoid?
Sins to forsake?
Promises to claim?
Thoughts about God?

OUTREACH PRAYER

As you pray this week, for the Community Pregnancy Center, pray that they are blessed during the Christmas season. Pray for the continued success of the Center and their mission to protect life. Pray for opportunities for them to preach the gospel to those coming to them for help. Pray that their needs are met. Pray for the staff and volunteers. Pray for boldness, courage, and comfort.

RESOURCES

Book of the Month: *The Cross-Centered Life* by C.J. Mahaney

"All throughout the Scriptures, God calls his people to remember their redemption as a major motivating factor for their life of obedience to Him. The cross and the empty tomb are the fuel that propel us into a life of thankful obedience to God. CJ Mahaney's book helps us to keep the main thing, the main thing." - Pastor Andrew

Resource of the Week: Christian Thinking Regarding Medical Care and the Need for Respect when Opinions Differ: Part 2 by Pastor Dave Lutz

To read go to: https://www.canyonprescott.org/blog

THE THRILLS AND THORNS OF CHRISTMAS Selected Scriptures

MONDAY

Gospel & Acts Project: Acts 27:1-12

In today's passage, we see Paul counseling to remain in their current port, the Fair Havens, even though it wasn't suitable for the winter. The centurion paid closer attention to the pilot and not to Paul's wise counsel. Therefore, they left in an attempt to reach Phoenix, where it would be more suitable to spend the winter. They did not make it due to a storm and then had to secure the boat on a small island. Not everyone listens to wise counsel, and the result can be unintended consequences. The Lord places wise people in your life to help you. Not only should we listen and take to heart-wise counsel, but we are also to seek after wisdom.

TUESDAY

Gospel & Acts Project: Acts 27:13-38

"Into that moment of utter despair, God sent an angel to Paul, saying, 'Do not be afraid, Paul; you must stand before Caesar. And behold, God has granted you all those who sail with you' (Acts 27:24). The promise that Paul would stand before Caesar is not new. Two years earlier, Jesus himself stood by Paul in prison and promised, 'As you have testified to the facts about me in Jerusalem, so you must also testify in Rome' (Acts 23:11). In the midst of Paul's terrifying storm, he didn't need a new promise or a new revelation — he needed to remember the promise God had already given. God stripped everything away from Paul and his companions so they couldn't put their hope in cargo, tackle, or even the ship itself. Paul's only hope was God's promise. That night, Paul strengthened the crew with the assurance of that promise (Acts 27:21–26)."

-Chad Ashby

Gospel & Acts Project: Acts27:39-44

"And the rest on planks or on pieces of the ship. And so it was that all were brought safely to land" (v. 44). It is not shocking that this is how this part of the story ends. In yesterday's passage, Paul was promised that he would stand before Caesar, and God had granted "all those who sail with you" (v. 24). It should not come as a surprise "that all were brought safely to land." God kept His promise because God keeps His promises. Regardless of the situation, trial, or storm of life, the believer can rest assured that God will keep His promises.

THURSDAY

Gospel & Acts Project: Acts 28:1-10

"What a great variety of places and circumstances do we find Paul in! He was a planet, and not a fixed star. Here we have him in an island to which, in all probability, he had never come if he had not been thrown upon it by a storm; and yet it seems God has work for him to do here. Even stormy winds fulfil God's counsel, and an ill wind indeed it is that blows nobody any good; this ill wind blew good to the island; for it gave them Paul's company for three months, who was a blessing to every place he came to."

- Matthew Henry

Gospel & Acts Project: Acts 28:11-16

Verse 15 of today's passage says that "Paul thanked God and took courage." There are many places we could go to find courage. Yet, there is no better place to find courage than in God. Take time to pray and thank God, and be encouraged.

SATURDAY

Gospel & Acts Project: Acts 28:17-30

"Are you for God's gospel? If you are a believer in Christ, you must answer, 'By all means, yes!' Are you for God's gospel like the apostle Paul? May we all strive to be so. Paul's example in Acts 28:17–31 gives us both simple and practical examples on how to share the gospel. Paul preached wherever he was (Acts 28:31), no matter the condition — whether in chains (v. 20) or while a prisoner in his own house (v. 30). He preached lovingly (vv. 17–20), biblically (v. 23), and doctrinally (vv. 23, 31). He preached with immediacy (v. 17), with endurance (vv. 23, 30–31), and with boldness (v. 31). He preached to everyone, to both Jews (v. 17) and Gentiles (v. 28). And he preached Christ (v. 23) and wanted people to know everything about Him (v. 31)."