

Sunday, January 2, 2022  
Sermon Notes - Pastor Greg Baney  
“One Thing”  
Acts 24:1-21

**Point 1:** The church is tempted to add to the simple truth of the good news of God.

**Point 2:** The church is accosted by the unbelieving world to minimize what is offensive about the good news of God.

**Point 3:** The resurrection is a heavenly mission with an earthly objective, as it pertains to our message, it is the church's **one thing**.

- The HPCGuest WiFi network password for the sanctuary is: welcome!
- For more information visit our website: [hixsonpres.org](http://hixsonpres.org)
- Please help us keep our worship space clean by remembering to pick-up candy wrappers, empty water bottles, etc. when you leave.



**HIXSON**  
**PRESBYTERIAN**  
**CHURCH** PCA

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**Welcome and Announcements**

Steven Edging

**Call to Worship**

Psalm 62:1-2

**Prayer of Confession**

**Songs of Worship**

*The Solid Rock  
Cornerstone*

**Prayer of Intercession**

**God's Tithes and Our Offerings**

*Please fill out the friendship folder found at the end of the row.*

**Song of Worship**

*His Mercy Is More*

**Sermon**

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**Song of Response**

*All I Have Is Christ*

**Benediction**

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**WELCOME TO HPC! WE ARE EXCITED THAT YOU HAVE JOINED US IN WORSHIP!** We ask that you please fill out the friendship folder found at the end of the row to let us know you are worshiping with us.

**LARGE PRINT BULLETINS WILL BE AVAILABLE UPON A REQUEST.**

Please contact the church office at 423-875-0616 or

office@hixsonpres.org if you are interested.

**HPC OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED FOR THE HOLIDAY MONDAY, JANUARY 3, 2022. WE WILL BE OPEN ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 4.**

**METANOIA MINISTRIES IS OFFERING THE PRESENTATION FREE OF CHARGE**, but there will be short presentation of volunteer opportunities with the ministry and an offering will be taken. *The Gospel of Mark* is a one-man drama based entirely on the New Testament Gospel of Mark, all 16 chapters, word for word in the NIV. Chris Coppolo brings the narrative to life embodying multiple characters such as the disciples, King Herod, Pontius Pilate, and Jesus. The presentation is both moving and worshipful. It is also a great evangelistic tool and opportunity to invite those considering the claims of Christ. The event will be at First Presbyterian Church at 554 McCallie Ave. on January 8th at 7:00 pm.

**HPC LADIES**, you are invited to a presbytery wide one day seminar led by Stephanie Formenti. The event will take place at Hixson Presbyterian on January 29, 2022 from 9:00am-3:00 pm. At *Sweeter than Honey* we will learn how to delight in the study of God's word. Cost is \$10 and includes lunch. No childcare will be provided. You may register at <https://1stpresbyterian.tpsdb.com/onlinereg/307>. Payment is due by January 14. For details about the sessions, please visit [hixsonpres.org/women](http://hixsonpres.org/women) Questions? Please contact Leah Dean at [lgoff28@gmail.com](mailto:lgoff28@gmail.com).

**SUMMER SHORT TERM MISSION TRIP JUNE 11-18** we are going to be serving refugees and immigrants in St. Louis. There will be an informational meeting Sunday, January 9 after the 2<sup>nd</sup> worship service in M-1. If you are interested in going or for more information, please contact Steven Edging at [stevene@hixsonpres.org](mailto:stevene@hixsonpres.org).

**GOC:** You have mail! Our missionary friends send their treasured Christmas gifts-- heart greetings. The Mission Wall, on People Street, is full of holiday cards, letters, videos, pictures to you. Joy has been received from all over the world.

**SPRING 2022 SUNDAY SCHOOL: *This Spring we will have 2 quarters:***

**Q1:** January 9-March 13;

**Q2:** March 20-May 29 with a Sunday off for Easter on April 17.

**Here's the list of class offerings for the 1st Quarter.**

**LUKE CLASS: LED BY STEVE HUTCHINGS AND TYLER ROBERSON**

The Gospel of Luke presents Jesus as the king of an upside down kingdom. A kingdom where the weak, the poor, and the outcast are favored, where citizenship is through faith, and the king himself is a suffering servant who dies for the sins of his people. A kingdom that sounds too good to be true, and so Luke provides plenty of evidence to back up his claims. This class will be a simple overview of the book of Luke that dives deep into a handful of life-changing stories.

**EVERYONE'S A THEOLOGIAN BY R.C. SPROUL - CLASS LED BY JEFF SIREN AND STEVEN EDGING**

Many people react negatively to the word theology, believing that it involves dry, fruitless arguments about minor points of doctrine. Yet as Dr. R.C. Sproul argues, everyone is a theologian. Any time we think about what we value, the ultimate purposes of life, or a teaching of the Bible and strive to understand it, we are engaging in theology.

Therefore, it is important that we put the Bible's varied teachings together in a systematic fashion, using proper, time-tested methods of interpretation so as to arrive at a theology that is founded on God's truth.

**RETHINK YOUR SELF: CLASS LED BY THOMAS DEMOSS**

Through engaging discussion, this class will use Trevin Wax's book, "Rethink Yourself" to encourage you to rethink some of our society's most common assumptions about identity and the road to happiness, sayings like "You do you" and "Follow your heart." Most people define their identity and purpose by first looking in (to their desires), then looking around (to express their uniqueness), and finally—maybe—looking up (to add a spiritual dimension to life). Rethink Your Self proposes a counter-intuitive approach: looking up before looking in. It's only when we look up to learn who we were created to be that we discover our true purpose and become our truest selves.