Sermon Notes

"When You Fall" 2 Kings 1

- 1. When You Fall Down, You Must Look Up to God
- 2. When You Fall Down, You Must Trust God Who Brought You Down
- 3. When You Fall Down, You Must Trust God to Raise You Up

Prayer Opportunities

ONGOING PRAYER: Kenneth (Stick) Haun, Michael Herbert, Joan Pennock, Ellen Torrance and Tami Urbina

IN APPRECIATION:

- Dear Rivermont Family, It is difficult to put into words the love and gratitude Joanie and I feel for all of the help, prayers and encouragement that we have received these last few months. You, as a Church, have truly shown the love of Christ in many ways, some very practical to just words of needed uplift. We want to thank all of you, the Pastors, the Church staff and members of REPC. May God Bless you as you have blessed us. In Christ, Walker and Joan Pennock
- Dear Rivermont Friends, Thank you for the many acts of kindness and love you have shown our family over the last eight months. I am feeling well and doing well and am so grateful for the lessons I've learned. One thing is certain: God is good all the time. Thank you again, Westray Day Nowlin

DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN'S MINISTRY: We are prayerfully seeking a Director of Children's Ministry. Interested candidates can review the documents at rivermont.org/careers and submit an application to the search committee at repcsearch@gmail.com.

PRAYING FOR OUR MISSIONARIES: OONG & ELENA LEE

Oong and Elena Lee are our Serge missionaries serving as church planters in the London suburb of Shepherd's Bush. After struggling with several years of infertility, God is blessing the Lees with twins. While overjoyed, they are facing some difficult financial challenges and decisions in terms of housing and raising additional funds so that Elena can remain home with the babies. Pray that God would give them wisdom as they discern His will for their housing as well as raise up new donors who can provide additional funding. To learn more about the Lee's ministry go to: https://give.serge.org/donate/oong-and-elena-lee/

The Sanctuary Floral Arrangement

The flowers in the Sanctuary today are given by Bill and Elaine Johnson to the glory of God and in celebration of the marriage of their daughter, Anna Marie to Matthew Goniprow. The wedding was held yesterday in the Sanctuary.

Prayer & Care

If you have a need or prayer request, please share that need through the Rivermont website at rivermont.org/prayer. You may also email: janet@rivermont.org. All requests are confidential.

Welcome to Rivermont!

Whether you are new to Lynchburg or new to our church, we are so grateful to the Lord that He has brought you to us this morning. We would love to connect with you more personally and we invite you to fill out a Digital connect with you more personally and we invite you to fill out a Digital Connect Card by scanning the QR code into your mobile device. You can also fill out a Connect Card from the pew rack and place it in the offering plate.



Next Steps to Connect:

We invite you to take some additional steps to get more connected to this church body.

- Attend live or Zoom Sunday School classes at 9:45 am (rivermont.org/sundayschool).
- Join us for dinner and Bible Studies on Wednesday nights (rivermont.org/rfn).
- Attend men's, women's, or youth Bible studies and events throughout the year.
- Attend the next Getting to Know Rivermont class. Learn more at rivermont.org/gtkr.

The Giving of Tithes and Offerings

Ways to give:

- 1. By placing your offering in the offering plates located in the Narthex.
- 2. By texting an amount to 434-595-3833; follow the prompts.
- Online at <u>www.rivermont.org/give</u>.
- 4. By mailing a check to REPC, 2424 Rivermont Avenue, Lynchburg, VA 24503.

Coming Up This Week

For more information, please visit rivermont.org/events

Sunday, April 3

8:00 am Prayer for the Services (Family Room)

8:30 am Worship Service with Communion

9:45 am Sunday School

9:45 am 20 Somethings+ Life Group 9:45 am College Hour (CO House)

11:00 am Worship Service with Communion 12:30 pm 20 Somethings+ Lunch on the Run

(Takeout at Riverside Park)

4:00 pm Prayer Meeting (Chapel)

Monday, April 4

9:00 am Preschool

10:00 am Prayer Group (Room 206)

Tuesday, April 5

6:26 am HS Boys' 626

(Biscuitville, Old Forest Rd.)

6:30 am Dawn Patrol Men's Bible Study (Fellowship Hall & via Zoom)

9:00 am Preschool

10:30 am Women's Circle (Country Gardens) 12:00 pm Monthly Prayer Meeting (Chapel)

Wednesday, April 6

9:00 am Preschool 4:30 pm Praise Ringers

5:15 pm Carillon, Chapel, Cherub, New Song 5:45 pm Rivermont Fellowship Night Meal

6:30 pm Bible Studies 6:30 pm Sanctuary Choir

Thursday, April 7

9:30 am Oasis Women's Bible Study 10:00 am Community Bible Study

Saturday, April 9

12:00 pm No Walls Second Saturday Picnic (Gospel Community-College Hill)

Sunday, April 10 - Palm Sunday

8:00 am Prayer for the Services (Family Room)

8:30 am Worship Service

9:45 am Sunday School 9:45 am 20 Somethings+ Life Group

9:45 am College Hour (CO House) 11:00 am Worship Service

4:00 pm Prayer Meeting (Chapel) 6:30 pm 6th-8th Grade SNL (Youth Center)

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OUR PASSION: the renewing of lives through God's compelling love in Lynchburg and the world.

ORDER of WORSHIP

April 3, 2022 Fifth Sunday of Lent

Preparation for Worship

As you enter the Sanctuary, prepare your heart for worship and please silence your mobile devices.

THE SILENT PRAYER OF PREPARATION:

Lord, as we prepare to worship You this morning, we would meditate and dwell on Your wonderful faithfulness. Great indeed is Your faithfulness. There is no shadow of turning with You. We pray that You would open our eyes this morning so that we might see You more clearly, and our ears that we may hear Your voice more clearly. Open also our hearts that we may eagerly respond to do what You call us to do. We ask these things in the name of Jesus, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

PRELUDE:

(8:30) "O Man, Thy Grievous Sin Bemoan"

J. S. Bach

O man, thy grievous sin bemoan since Christ comes from His Father's throne, On this our earth descending.

Of Virgin mother pure and mild, He here is born a little Child,

The veil of sin soon rending.

The dead He raised to life again, and from them warded off all pain

Until the time appointed

That He our sacrifice should be, from sin and pain to set us free, To death on cross anointed.

(11:00) Sara Frazier and Charis Jantomaso

"An Easter Hallelujah"

Mooney/Cohen

A crown of thorns placed on His head, He knew that He would soon be dead.

He said, "Did You forget Me, Father, did You?"

They nailed Him to a wooden cross; soon all the world would feel the loss Of Christ the King before His Hallelujah.

He hung His head and prepared to die, then lifted His face up to the sky,

Said, "I am coming home now, Father, to You."

A reed which held His final sip was gently lifted to His lips;

He drank His last and gave His soul to glory.

The soldier who had used his sword to pierce the body of our Lord

Said, "Truly this was Jesus Christ, our Savior."

He looked with fear upon his sword, then turned to face His Christ and Lord, Fell to his knees crying "Hallelujah."

Took from His head the thorny crown and wrapped Him in a linen gown,

Then laid Him down to rest inside the tomb.

The holes in His hands, His feet and side; now in our hearts we know He died

To save us from ourselves, oh Hallelujah.

Three days went by, again they came to move the stone, to bless the slain,

With oil and spice anointing, Hallelujah.

But as they went to move the stone they saw that they were not alone,

For Jesus Christ has risen, Hallelujah!

THE GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Pastor Brett Eubank

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 92:1-4 (responsively)

It is good to give thanks to the LORD,

To sing praises to Your name, O Most High;

To declare Your steadfast love in the morning,

And Your faithfulness by night,

For You, O LORD, have made me glad by Your work;

At the works of Your hands I sing for joy.

*THE HYMN OF PRAISE: #4

"All Praise to God, Who Reigns Above"

Verse 4 - Women; Verse 5 -Men

THE CALL TO CONFESSION: Isaiah 55:6-7 (responsively)

Seek the LORD while He may be found; call upon Him while He is near; Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; Let him return to the LORD, that He may have compassion on him, And to our God, for He will abundantly pardon.

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*THE ACCLAMATION OF PRAISE:

"Man of Sorrows! What a Name" (vs. 3) HALLELUJAH! WHAT A SAVIOR! Guilty, vile, and helpless, we; spotless Lamb of God was He; Full atonement! Can it be? Hallelujah! What a Savior!

*THE FELLOWSHIP OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST

"Welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God" (Romans 15:7)

(Children pre-K through first grade may be dismissed for Children's Church to room #115.)

THE READING OF HOLY SCRIPTURE: 2 Kings 1 (page 307)

THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE SERMON: "When You Fall" Dr. David Weber

THE PRAYER FOR A RIGHT RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

*THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: THE APOSTLES' CREED (in unison)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the guick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

"Gloria Patri" *THE GLORIA:

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, World without end! A-men, A-men!

(11:00) THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM:

MIT FREUDEN ZART

Sanctuary Choir

J. S. Bach

"God So Loved the World"

Bob Chilcott

(John 3:16)

God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son That whoso believeth in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.

Amy Hall - Soloist

*THE COMMUNION HYMN:

"Hast Thou Heard Him, Seen Him, Known Him" (vs. 1-3)

(To the tune of: 'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus)

Hast thou heard Him, seen Him, known Him? Is not Thine a captured heart? Chief among ten thousand own Him; joyful choose the better part.

Refrain: Captivated by His beauty, worthy tribute haste to bring;

Let His peerless worth constrain thee, crown Him now unrivaled King. Idols once they won thee, charmed thee, lovely things of time and sense;

Gilded thus does sin disarm thee, honeyed lest thou turn thee thence. (Repeat Refrain)

What has stripped the seeming beauty from the idols of the earth? Not a sense of right or duty, but the sight of peerless worth. (Repeat Refrain)

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER:

If you are not a member of this congregation but are a baptized believer who is welcome to receive Communion in your home church, then you are invited to receive the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper with us. Baptized children of this congregation are welcome to receive the Sacrament after they have received instruction and admission by the Session. After reviewing the Communion packet with your child, contact the church office to set up a meeting with the pastors. The packet may be found at www.rivermont.org/communion.

The Words of Invitation and Institution

The Prayer of Consecration, concluding with The Lord's Prayer (in unison):

Our Father, Who art in heaven: hallowed be Thy name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil; for Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

The Reception of the Bread and the Cup

The Concluding Communion Prayer

*THE HYMN OF RESPONSE:

"Hast Thou Heard Him, Seen Him, Known Him" (vs. 7)

(To the tune of: 'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus)

Draw and win and fill completely, till the cup overflow the brim; What have we to do with idols who have companied with Him?

Refrain: Captivated by His beauty, worthy tribute haste to bring; Let His peerless worth constrain thee, crown Him now unrivaled King.

*THE BENEDICTION

GREATOREX

*THE CONGREGATIONAL AND CHORAL AMEN (sung by all): "A-men, A-men, A-men!"

*POSTLUDE: "Fantasia in G Minor"

^{*}The congregation standing. Please feel free to be seated if you need to do so. Lyrics and music reproduced under CCLI#64526.