

Great Swamp Baptist Church

Sunday Morning Worship

10:30 AM

Prelude	
The Welcome Announcements	Pastor Ralph Lee, Jr
Call To Worship	
Invocation	Keith Gamo
Selections of Praise and Worship	
We Pray for Special Needs Pastoral Prayer Offertory Special	Pastor Ralph Lee, Jr. Joyce Gamo
Message	Pastor Ralph Lee, Jr.
Invitation	
Benediction	
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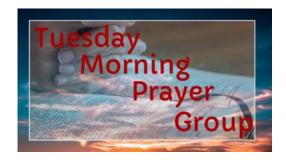
Nursery Workers

Today: Vanessa Smoak Helpers Needed; See Vanessa





Children's Church Today: Olivia Stanley





Tuesday Mornings @ 9:00am

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Next Week:

Freddie Malphrus: 843-816-3206





We Can't Stay Home (2 Sam. 11:1-16)

Intro: There is probably not a person reading this message who doesn't know about the story of King David and Bathsheba. From this story we learn of the terrible sins that King David got caught up in. The tragedy was that he kept trying to cover up one sin with another sin. First, it was adultery, then lying, murder and cover up.

Following King David's acts of sin with Bathsheba came some very horrible consequences as the result of his sins. These results were very painful and long lasting.

However, most all of these sinful deeds and their hurtful consequences just may never had taken place if King David just hadn't stayed home. You see, all these sinful deeds that took place in these verse tell us at a time when kings go off to fight their wars. For whatever reason this particular spring when kings usually go fight their wars King David chose to stay home in Jerusalem where his downward journey of sin began and took place. So, most likely if he had been where he was supposed to be then he wouldn't have faced the temptations that led him down the road of many sinful deeds.

So with this message I want to point out a couple of things and it is this staying home that can make it easier to do the things we shouldn't and keep us from doing the things we should be doing. Now, I don't necessarily mean our physical home though that could be the case but we can be out and about but still have a stay at home mentality and attitude that keeps us from truly venturing out for Christ. So, let us examine King

David's mistake of staying ar home and then ask ourselves, are we just hanging around home? My message title is "We Can't Stay Home."

I. First, let us notice that we can't stay home because there are battles to be fought. (vs. 1). When God led the nation of Israel into the Promise Land He had given them, the mandate was to drive out all the wicked nations that were there and destroy them. He also expected the nation to fight against any surrounding nations that sought to attack them. The nation of the Ammonites had attacked Israel and Israel therefore had to go to war with this nation.

Now, on this particular incident we are looking at, King David had already won a victory against the Ammonites. However, he needed to finish the fight. But instead he sent is army out while he stayed home.

The church needs to realize that God has given to her a mandate to fight for the lost souls of men and women across the world. We've got marching orders to carry the Gospel to every living creature, and we can't very well carry out this mandate and win the battle while staying home. This time is now for us to go fight the good fight of the faith.

II. Second, let us notice that we can't stay home because we have callings to fulfill. (vs.1). This verse gets very specific. It is specific about the time of year for fighting and it is specific about who is to take charge of the fighting. It is the "who" that I want to focus upon. It specifically says that it is the kings who lead their armies to battle. So, King David had his specific calling, a calling that came from God. This calling was to lead the nation of Israel to fight and defeat all the nations still in the Promise Land.

One of the very first things that we encounter David doing is slaying a giant when he was just a teenager. Near the end of his life, he desired to build a temple for the Lord but God wouldn't allow him to do so. King Solomon tells us why. "You know that my father David was not able to build a temple to honor the name of the Lord his God because of the many wars he waged with the surrounding nations. He couldn't build until the Lord gave him victory over all his enemies." (I Kings 5:3 NLT).

God's calling and purpose was to lead his people in fighting. So, by staying home he wasn't fulfilling his particular calling.

Each one of us, as Children of God, have been given a particular calling or purpose that our Lord wants us to carry out and fulfill. When we choose to stay home like King David did, we are then choosing to not carry out our God given calling and purpose. May God move us to renew ourselves to our particular ministries.

III. Third, let us notice that we can't stay home because we have the Word of God. Every action that King David took while he stayed in Jerusalem instead of going to fight went directly against everything God's Holy Word had warned him not to do. If he had followed the teachings of God's Holy Word he wouldn't have ended up where he did when he chose to stay home. Also, if he chose to follow God's Word he wouldn't have had time to just stick around and

focus just on his pleasure activities.

We can't just sit around when God's Holy Word instructs us to get out and share His Gospel message and make a difference in the world for Jesus Christ our Savior. God's Word will help to motivate you to get up and out for God's glory. Are you seeking to follow God's Holy Word? If so, you will get up and go.

IV. Fourth, let us notice that we can't stay home because there are temptations to avoid. One writer that I was studying said, "If David had his attention where God wanted it, he would never put it where God didn't want it."

We all grew up hearing our parents and grandparents tell us that idleness is the devil's workshop. In other words, when we are not busy doing the work of God, our mind, heart and body are far more prone to yield to temptations. So, when we are busy doing the work of God, it makes it tougher to the work of sin. May the Lord move us out into His field so that we have less time to dwell upon that which is evil.

V. Fifth, let us notice that we can't stay home because there are rewards to gain. By not going we lose out on the credit for the victory. God has rewards for us to gain but we can't gain them by sitting around and doing nothing. We want to hear those words of Jesus our Lord when we go to glory say, "well done good and faithful servant; thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of the Lord." (Matt. 25:23 KJV).

Concl. I am sure that after David had been confronted for the sinful deeds he had committed, that at that point he wished he had not stayed home. May the Lord help us to not come to the place in our lives that one day where we regret that we stayed home.

Jesus Loves You Ralph Lee, Jr.

Weekly Offering	This Week	Weekly Budget	Surplus/Deficit + / -
	\$ 5,217.00	\$ 4,982.47	+ \$ 334.53
Online Offerings	\$ 100.00		
Designated Funds	This Week	*******	Acct. Balances
Seniors Annual Trip	\$ 125.00	*******	\$ 1,892.26
Wednesday Night Supper	\$ 110.00	*******	\$ 7.02
Sunday Morning Breakfast	\$ 93.00	********	\$ 164.00
Gleaners Sunday School Class	\$ 35.00	*******	\$213.33
Kitchen Supplies (Harvest Fest)	\$20.00	*******	\$20.00
Operation Christmas Child (Harvest Fest)	\$ 216.00	*******	\$ 1,797.22

Wednesday Night Services @ 7pm

PASTOR'S PRAYER SERVICE—Building 3, Old Social Hall Leader-Pastor Ralph Lee, Jr.

ABIDE CONTEMPORARY SERVICE—Multi-Purpose Building

Leader-Wilbur Daley

YOUTH GROUP—Youth Annex

Leader-Michelle Waitt

R.A.'S (Royal Ambassadors)—Room 417

Leader-Pat Mason

G.A.'S (GIRLS IN ACTION)—Room 415 **Leader-Sherry Toland**

Sunday School Classes @ 9:15am

CAMO CLASS—Room 406

Leader-Bobby Smith

GLEANERS CLASS—Room 401

Leader-Audrey Roberts

VISIONARIES CLASS—Building 3, Old Social Hall

Leader-Wilbur Daley

SOJOURNERS CLASS—Room 417

Leader-Mack Pope

YOUTH-Youth Annex

Leader-Faye Lowther



Operation Christmas Child

November Collections

The first 2 weeks of November we are focusing on monetary donations for shipping of shoeboxes. It is \$9.00 per box. We have 500 boxes so far. This includes The Greatest Gift Storybook, The Greatest Journey New Testament and Workbook. These will be in their own languages according to the country they will be shipped to.

Operation Christmas Child Collection week: November 16th-23rd

If you would like to help during collection week, let Dorthie know. The busiest days are Saturday and Sunday.

Collection Dates:

Monday, Nov. 16: 9:00 AM-11:00 AM

Tuesday, Nov. 17: 9:00 AM—11:00 AM

Wednesday, Nov. 18: 9:00 AM—11:00 AM

Thursday, Nov. 19: 9:00 AM—11:00 AM

Friday, Nov. 20: 9:00 AM-11:00 AM

Saturday, Nov. 21: 10:00 AM-2:00 PM

Sunday, Nov. 22: 1:00 PM-4:00 PM

Monday, Nov. 23: 9:00 AM-11:00 AM



Menu to be announced.

\$5.00 each or \$15.00 for a family of 4 or more.

NO Meal Deliveries at this time.

GSBC Prayer Page

Church Needs

Ralph Lee, Jr. - Pastor Richard Waitt- Music Director Deacons

Leadership

President Donald Trump United States of America

Hospitals

Sunday School SFCA-Donna Carter Child Development Ministries

Unspoken

Jessica Cleland Steve Crosby Heather Betz

Cancer / Treatments

Nursing Centers

Surgery / Recovery

Skylar Saygen

Ann Blocker

Michelle Rooks

Elaine Degler-RNC Doris Blackmon-Morningside Wilma Jean McGill-RNC Bobby Mohn-Indigo Pines HHI Byron & Margaret Vaigneur-Assist. Jane Waitt

Lynn Daugherty Sidney Douglas Denegel Becky Goretzka Gail Sims Gloria Davis Gary Malphrus Skip Brooks Cynthia Box Regina Bouye Mack Pope Kaiaya Alston

Called to Ministry

Chris Carter & Family

Ministries **Outreach Ministry** In reach Ministry Abide Wednesday Services

Bereavement

Family of

Other Health Needs

Cookie Daley Jane Gorman Jerry Cooler Bobby Tootle Randy Smoak Brenda Farve Andrew Miller Lloyd Way Jason Smoak Celeste Lucas Pinky Rushing Chip Sutler Diane Hannah Loony Jones (Jeffrey Stanley's grandfather) David Sauls Tracey Lake Pat Kemple

Expecting / Births

Heather Reid, Feb.

Please Continue To Remember

Shirley Malphrus Rose Boyles Judy Smith Jeffrey Stanley Redden Tuten Vera Floyd

Dot Nettles Tom Hinely Grace Boyles Patricia Malphrus Scott Boyles Ann Blocker

Gary Way Frankie Malphrus Betty Robertson Kenneth & Doby Cleland

Pray For Our Military

Sgt. Jared Blanton-Deployed Isaac Martin Malphrus Cape May, NJ / Coast Guard Matthew Mills-CA-US Marines Jericho Malphrus-Sp. Agent / Air Force / Oklahoma City. OK Michael Sottile - Deployed Tristan Blanton-San Diego/SWCC

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Sunday	8th	Kelly Scherger
Monday	9th	Amanda Anderson
Fríday	13th	Alícía Holland
Saturday	14th	Míchelle Waitt

Memorial

A gift of \$100.00 has been given to the General Fund In Memory of George & Elise Roberts By Nancy Davidson



Your are respectfully invited to attend Thomas Heyward Academy's Veterans Day Program. The program will be on Monday, November 9th at 7pm in the John D. Rogers Gymnasium.

Please join us as we salute our veterans for their years of sacrifice and service to our great nation.

There is no fee for admission.

We would like to offer a special thanks to Mrs. Dinah Gretsch and Mrs. G's Music Foundation for making performances like these possible.

Please note that masks must be worn upon entering the gymnasium and throughout the program. We look forward to honoring our veterans with you during this Veterans Day Program.



Sunday Morning Breakfast 8:30AM
Sunday School 9:45AM
Morning Worship 11:00AM
Evening Worship 6:00PM
Wednesday Night Supper 6:00PM
Wednesday Night Service 7:00PM

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