

*For it is written,
As I live, saith the Lord,
every knee shall
bow to me,*

Great Swamp Baptist Church

August 29, 2021

*and every tongue
shall confess to God.*

*So then every one of us
shall give account of himself to God.*

Romans 14:11-12

Great Swamp Baptist Church

Sunday Morning Worship

10:30 AM

The Welcome

Announcements

Pastor Ralph Lee, Jr.

Call To Worship

Hymn # 161 "Crown Him with Many Crowns"

Invocation

Keith Gamo

Selections of Praise & Worship

"How Great Is Our God"

We Pray for Special Needs

Pastoral and Offertory Prayer

Worship by Giving

Offertory Special

Mended

Message

Pastor Ralph Lee, Jr.

Invitation

Benediction Prayer

Nursery Workers

Today: Vanessa Smoak
Helpers Needed; See Vanessa



Sunday Mornings

Following

The Song Service

Children's Church

Today: Olivia Stanley/Gideon Mobley/Lily Smith



Tuesday Mornings @ 9:00am



DEACON OF THE WEEK :

Today:

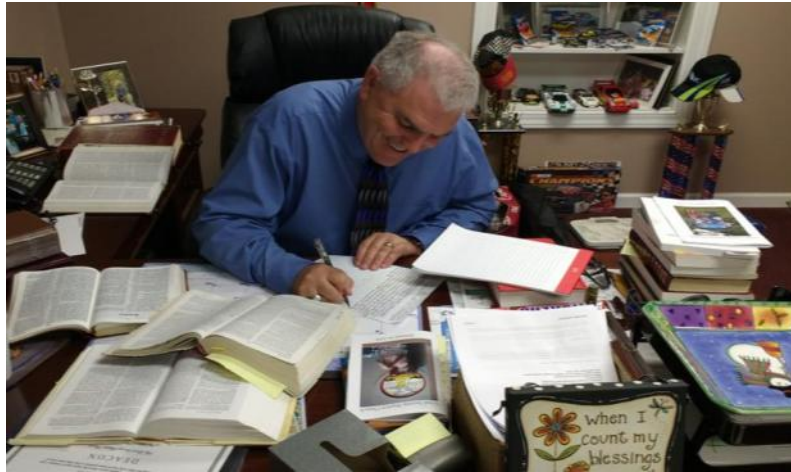
Keith Gamo: 843-986-8745

Next Week:

Freddie Malphrus: 843-816-3206



*From
Pastor
Ralph's
Desk:*



God Is Great

(Daniel 2:45-49)

Intro: In our last message, we examined the content and interpretation of King Nebuchadnezzar's dream. In this message I want us to examine the reactions of both the prophet Daniel and the king to the revelation of the dream.

I believe that the best reaction was found in the statement that Daniel made about God when he told the king that God was as he put it, "...the Great God." (vs. 45). As we continue reading the text we clearly can see that King Nebuchadnezzar's concern with the prophet Daniel was that God is indeed great.

We often say now days over and over that Our God is Good. We express those words to one another often. We even have written songs concerning this phrase. But what I want to make sure is that we understand that God is good because God is great. So, today, we are going to look at why the prophet and the king agreed that our God is Great. As Tony the Tiger use to say that Kellogg's taste Greattttttt! Well indeed our God is the Greatest.

I. First, God is great because He has shown mysteries to mankind. (vs. 45). *Now, not just any mystery but rather mysteries that have been in the heart and mind of God in eternity past. Therefore, we are blessed from God to have received eternal mysteries.*

Praise be unto our Eternal, Holy and Almighty God that He showered us with His great grace and mercy the unknown mysteries of eternal past and revealed their interpretations and meanings to us.

These mysteries are not something that He is revealing to us just for the purpose of adding more facts to our head. Rather, He is reveal-

ing to us mysteries that are life changing in so many ways.

We, as Christians, are most blessed above all that the greatest mystery of all concerning the Gospel of Christ has been revealed to us. Listen to the words of the Apostle Paul, "In Him, we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the riches of God's grace that He lavished on us with all wisdom and understanding. And He made know to us the muster of His will according to His good pleasure, which He purposed in Christ to be put into effect when the times will have reached their fulfillment to bring all things in heaven and on earth together under one head, even Christ." (Eph.1: 7-10).

According to these verses, it was based upon God's good pleasure to bestow these life saving mysteries to us. Oh, blessed be the name of our Lord. We serve a Great God.

II. Second, God is great because He reveals the future to mankind. (vs. 45). In some of the previous verses and our present verse, we are told over and over that in this particular dream which He gave to King Nebuchadrezzar, is showing things that are yet to happen. For the prophet Daniel and the king, most of the events of the dream were yet to happen. However, for us today, a big portion of the dream has already happened.

Yet there is one portion that hasn't and it is the future to all of us, and it is a doozy.

So, here's the one thing that we can rejoice in and declare our God that He is the great God and that is that He has not left us in the dark concerning the future. God's people need to understand He has never meant for us to be clueless about what is yet to come. As a matter of fact, He's been revealing the future since the beginning. We could go from one event to another throughout God's Holy Word and see that much of those events were prophesied before they even happened.

Our God wants us to be informed so that we can make whatever necessary preparations and decisions we need to make based upon what is going to take place.

The apostle John, under the leadership of the Spirit of God, opens up the Book of Revelation by saying, "The revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave Him to show His servants what must soon take place. He made it known by sending His angel to His servant John. (Rev. 1:1).

Now, in this same chapter God said to John, "Write, therefore, what you have seen, what is now and what will take place later." (Rev. 1:19). What this verse shows us is that God is the God of the past, the present and the future. Oh, blessed be our Lord that we know how it will turn out.

One thing is for sure, you can know with certainty your future and this is it, if you commit yourself to Christ, you will spend eternity with Jesus in glory. However, if you reject Him, we also know your future, you will spend eternity in Hell. So, shore up your future by repenting and trusting Christ.

III. Third, God is great because He declares the truth to mankind. (vs. 45).

Daniel told the king that the dream and its' interpretation was true. Well, anyone could challenge that easily by showing that it did not come to fruition.

However, the truth of it was verified by the fact that the king had never shared his dream with Daniel. Yet Daniel was able to relay back to the king exactly what his dream was in every detail. Therefore, the ability to give the king his dream lets us know that God gave to them and God gives to us in His Word the truth. My next point will also further demonstrate the accuracy of this point.

Before, however, we go to the next point, let me share what the apostle Paul says about this point. "What if some did not have faith? Will their lack of faith mollify God's faithfulness? Not at all! Let God be true and everyman a liar. As it is written: So that you may be proved right when you speak and prevail when you judge." (Ro. 3:3-4). Only truly God is true.

IV. Fourth, God is great because He fulfills His Word to mankind. (vs. 45).

The prophet Daniel stated concerning the dream and interpretation of King Nebuchadnezzar that it not only was true, but was also trustworthy, and he meant by that, that you can bank on it, that it will be absolutely fulfilled as the prophet stated it.

In the last point one of the clear reasons we knew that the dream and interpretation was true was because Daniel under God's leadership was able to reveal to the king what his dream was. However, there is much more that we can point to that will also prove that the dream is true, and will be absolutely fulfilled.

It is the fact that a big portion of the dream and interpretation has already been fulfilled exactly as revealed. Each kingdom that followed the previous kingdom were exactly the very ones the dream represent years in advance.

However, we know that the kingdom representing the feet and toes has not yet taken place. But since the other portions of the dream have come to pass as predicted, we can be assured the last kingdom represented by the feet and toes will come to pass. So, blessed be to our God who is the great God who doesn't leave us in the dark about the past, present or future. He will bring all of His prophecies and promises without a doubt to fulfillment. So, we should never be surprised when we see God's Word being fulfilled.

Concl. The revelation of his dream and its' interpretation caused the great King Nebuchadnezzar of the Babylonian Kingdom to acknowledge the greatness of our God by declaring Him to be

“...the God of gods and the Lord of kings and a revealer of mysteries...” (vs.47).

So, if a pagan king who believed in many gods was willing to acknowledge that God is great because God revealed his dream, how much more should we who have seen God do even so much more, mainly the fulfillment of our Savior coming into the world to save us. My prayer is that the Holy Spirit will implant in our hearts the greatness of our God.

Jesus Loves You

Ralph Lee, Jr.

Announcement

A Special Called Business Meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 8, 2021 to vote on the nominating committee's recommendations for leadership.



***Join us this evening at 6pm for the
Ordination to Ministry
of
Wilbur A. Daley***

Sunday School Classes

@

9:15am

CAMO CLASS *Room 406* **Leader- Bobby Smith**
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GLEANERS CLASS *Room 401* **Leader-Audrey Roberts**
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VISIONARIES CLASS *Building 3, Old Social Hall*
Leader-
.....

SOJOURNERS CLASS *Room 417* **Leader-Mack Pope**
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YOUTH *Youth Annex* **Leader-Faye Lowther**

Wednesday Night Services

@ 7pm

WORSHIP SERVICE *Multi-Purpose Building*
Leader-Pastor Ralph Lee, Jr.

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-Carol Davis/Diane Thames



WEDNESDAY
NIGHT
Suppers

Wednesday Night Suppers
will resume on
Wednesday, September 8th
and
Sunday Morning Breakfast
will resume on
Sunday, September 12th.



SFCA
After School Helper
Needed ASAP
2-6pm Monday thru Friday
See Donna Carter

Stewardship

Tithes	This Week	Weekly Budget	Surplus/Deficit + / -
	\$ 4,742.00	\$ 4,982.47	-\$ 40.47
Online Offerings	\$ 200.00		
Designated Funds	This Week	*****	Acct. Balances
<i>Senior Trip</i>	<i>\$ 1231.00</i>	<i>*****</i>	<i>\$ 1,843.26</i>
<i>Campus Repairs</i>	<i>\$ 291.84</i>	<i>*****</i>	<i>\$ 2,753.10</i>
<i>Audio Visual</i>	<i>\$ 30.00</i>	<i>*****</i>	<i>\$ 30.00</i>
<i>Office Supplies</i>	<i>\$ 125.40</i>	<i>*****</i>	<i>\$ 10,357.15</i>
<i>SFCA Security</i>	<i>\$ 123.89</i>	<i>*****</i>	<i>\$ 123.89</i>
<i>SFCA Trash Pick Up</i>	<i>\$ 240.00</i>	<i>*****</i>	<i>\$ 240.00</i>
<i>SFCA Electric</i>	<i>\$ 1964.01</i>	<i>*****</i>	<i>\$ 1,964.01</i>
<i>SFCA Janitorial Supplies</i>	<i>\$ 500.00</i>	<i>*****</i>	<i>\$ 2,907.93</i>

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION
Savannah River Baptist Association

Relentless FAITH

The Key to Victory



WMU Fall Meeting

September 18, 2021

Sheldon Baptist Church

15 Sheldon Baptist Church Drive, Sheldon, SC

Registration

9:00—9:30 am

Program

9:30 am—1:00pm



PLEASE RSVP BY AUGUST 31 TO EHMMA at 843-575-1008



The Lord's Supper
Sunday, August 29th
AM Service



It is that time of the year again. Time to start collecting for Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes. There are three ways to give.

1—Angel Tree: on the back wall is the Angel tree. Take an angel and on the back are items we need. Bring the angel back with your donation.

2—There will be a list in the bulletin weekly

3—Monetary Donations

There will be a box for you to place your items in. Any questions, please see Bernice Malphrus or Dorthie Armstrong.

Items Still Needed for September

Washcloths

Soap

Comb & Brushes for Girls

Combs for Boys



Grandmother's Group

Monday, September 13th

11:30 am

MPB



*The Church office and the
school will be closed on
Monday, September 6th for
Labor Day*

Additional Help Needed

*For
Wednesday Night's
GA's & RA's*

*We would like to expand to include Mission Friends.
Youth or adults are encouraged to inquire.
See Kim Malphrus or Diane Thames.*

GSBC Prayer Page

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

Leadership
*President of the
United States of America
Vice President of the
United States of America*

Hospitals
*Ernest Blount
Donna Roberts
Nicole Cole
Linda Langford
Jennifer Pitts Key*

Surgery / Recovery
*Skylar Saygen
Michelle Rooks
Judy Rogers
Diane Hannah
Louise McAlhaney*

Nursing Centers
*Elaine Degler-RNC
Wilma Jean McGill-RNC
Bobby Mohn-Indigo Pines HHI
Byron Vaigneur-Assist.*

Please Continue To Remember

Homebound

<i>Shirley Malphrus</i>	<i>Dot Nettles</i>
<i>Rose Boyles</i>	<i>Tom Hinely</i>
<i>Judy Smith</i>	<i>Grace Boyles</i>
<i>Redden Tuten</i>	<i>Scott Boyles</i>
<i>Vera Floyd</i>	<i>Ann Blocker</i>
<i>Barbara Mills</i>	<i>Kenneth & Doby Cleland</i>
<i>Gary Way</i>	<i>Gloria Tuten</i>
<i>Frankie Malphrus</i>	<i>Lucille & Ron Degler</i>
<i>Kenny Smith</i>	<i>Red & Helen Malphrus</i>
<i>Carol Bradham</i>	

Church Needs
*Sunday School
SFCA-Donna Carter
Child Development
Ministries*

Unspoken
*Jessica Cleland
Steve Crosby
Heather Betz
Randy Bethune
Jason Holt*

Cancer / Treatments

*Douglas Denegel
Becky Goretzka
Gail Sims
Skip Brooks
Cynthia Williams
Regina Bouye
Kaiaya Alston
Wesley Ethridge
Angela Proctor
Jay Dalton
Reggie Malphrus
Raj's Mother*

*Ministries
Outreach Ministry
In reach Ministry*

Bereavement
Family of

Other Health Needs

*Jane Gorman
Andrew Miller
Lloyd Way
Loony Jones
(Jeffrey Stanley's Grandfather)
Tracey Lake
Annette Mole
Keith Gamo
Telie Ethridge
Pinky Rushing
Chip & Phyllis Sutler
Sara Davis
Bob Cramer
Shelby Green
Karen Phillipi
Bertha Kinard
Marie Malphrus
Mel Toland
Kenny Hay
Lee Martin
Alexus Busby
Ben & Beth Cabiness
Natalyn Mann
Max Cole
Mary Kay*

Pray For Our Military

*Sgt. Jared Blanton-Deployed
Matthew Mills-US Marines
Jericho Malphrus-Sp. Agent / Air Force
Washington, D.C.
Michael Sottile - Deployed
Tristan Blanton-San Diego/ SWCC*

Church Staff

Pastor: Pastor Ralph Lee, Jr.....*jehu27@gmail.com*

Music Director: Richard Waitt.....*waittfamily83@gmail.com*

Sunday School Director: Mike Davis.....

Pianist: Michelle Waitt..... *waittfamily83@gmail.com*

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School Administrator: Donna Carter.....*dcarter@hargray.com*

Landscaper: Wallace Malphrus.....*Josie6@embarqmail.com*

Finance Director: Timmy Sauls.....*greatswampbc@gmail.com*



<i>Friday</i>	<i>3rd</i>	<i>Joyce Gamo</i>
<i>Saturday</i>	<i>4th</i>	<i>William Holland</i>
		<i>Bobby Mohn</i>

Welcome

New Members

Matthew Scott Sherri Scott Emma Scott



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Ridgeland, SC 29936

Sunday School.....9:15AM
Morning Worship.....10:30AM
Wednesday Night Service.....7:00PM

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