



Happy Grandparents Day!



September 12, 2021

Great Swamp Baptist Church



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Sunday Morning Worship

10:30 AM

The Welcome

Announcements

Pastor Ralph Lee, Jr.

Call To Worship

Hymn # 3

“Worthy of Worship”

Invocation

Fred Stanley

Selections of Praise & Worship

“Blessed Be Your Name”

“10,000 Reasons”

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/Emily Johnson



Tuesday Mornings @ 9:00am



DEACON OF THE WEEK :

Today:

Fred Stanley: 843-843-1963

Next Week:

Bjo Mills: 843-271-2840



*From
Pastor
Ralph's
Desk:*



God's Rescuing and Saving Power

(Daniel 3:16-30)

Intro: The week before we examined this chapter with a focus upon the stand that the three young Hebrew men took against King Nebuchadnezzar's command to bow down to the large statue that he had built. From these examples we learned how to take a stand.

Today, we are going once again to look at the same verses but with a focus upon the rescuing and saving power of our God. This event reveals God's rescuing and saving power in a very powerful manner. It should once again stir our hearts that God's amazing power is available for us to be able to do the service and work that He has called us to do. With His rescuing and saving power we can take a stand like the three Hebrew young men did.

I. First, let us notice the assurance of God's rescuing and saving power. (vs. 16-17).

The three Hebrew men without any hesitation, and with full confidence and assurance declared to the King that God was able to save them and would rescue them from the King's power.

So, we need to ask the question, where did these young Hebrew men get such confidence and assurance that God's power would rescue and save them? The answer to the question is two-fold, and not difficult at all to answer.

The first answer had to do with what these young men had been taught all their lives. They had been taught God's Holy Word from nearly the time they came out of their mother's womb. Therefore, they heard one event after another in the past history of their nation how God had already demonstrated His great and awesome power. From the first verse of the Bible, in which God created the heaven and the earth, to all the many times of great deliverance that He gave His

people against impossible odds, such as crossing the Red Sea on dry ground, or being fed manna from Heaven above out in the wilderness for forty years, to a young lad by the name of David being able to take down a giant with one stone and so many more incidents like these.

The second answer to the question of where the assurance of God's power came from was not only their knowledge of God's Word but also their experience of God's Word. Before living in Babylon, they were living in Jerusalem, where for years as children and or young people, they had heard the many prophets God had sent to Jerusalem warning the city that if they didn't repent of their many sins and get right with God, He would then send a foreign nation to attack the city, destroy it and take the people into captivity.

Well, it all happened exactly how God had prophesied it would and they saw it all happen before their very eyes and experienced with their very lives. So, they could say even before God displayed His power in this chapter that with confidence and assurance He could and would and He did.

Now, how much more should we be convinced of God's rescuing and saving power because God has done so much more since this incident to fully convince us even more without a shadow of a doubt that God has the power to save and rescue. As a matter of fact, God has already displayed His power so amazingly and assuredly that you truly would be foolish not to believe. Paul tells us in the Book of Romans that God's power is so evident in creation that they are without excuse for not believing. (Rom. 1:18-20).

II. Second, let us notice the areas of God's rescuing and saving power.

So, here we're looking at the areas that God's power can rescue and save you from. Of course, if we were going to look at all of those areas it would take days and weeks but today we are going to look specifically at the areas found in our present set of verses.

A. **First, God's power rescues and saves us from falsehood.** King Nebuchadnezzar commanded that all people in his kingdom had to bow down and worship the idol he had created. Well, this is a form of falsehood. That statue had no life in it and it was created by man himself. Therefore, it could not be God. As a matter of fact, the command to bow down and worship this idol went directly against the commandments of God to have no other god and to make no idols or graven images to bow down and worship because there is only one God and therefore, He alone is worthy of our worship and praise, and anything else is false and will lead anyone astray who follows.

However, these three Hebrew men didn't fall for the fake religion because of their faith in god and His Word delivered them. So, when we choose Christ, He rescues us from falsehood, and bring us into the truth.

B. Second, God's power rescues and saves from fitting in.

As far as we know these three Hebrew young men were the only persons who refused to bow down to the statue. They alone paddled upstream against the current while others took the easy path and went along with what

everyone else was doing. No one wanted to sink being unpopular, ridiculed and arrested.

Well, the three Hebrew men understood that in God's sight it was better to be right with God than popular with man. When one comes to Christ, He will rescue you from the need to have to fit in with the world. It is much better to work at fitting in with Heaven where everything is going to last for eternity.

C. **Third, God's power rescues and saves from the one who is ferocious.** Now, the one who was ferocious was, of course, the king.

He

was extremely angry with the three Hebrew men for refusing to obey him.

Now, King Nebuchadnezzar carried, from a human point of view, a lot of power and authority. He had power to elevate men and power to destroy them.

However, the three Hebrew men knew that the king's authority and power was limited and temporary, and under the sovereign control of Almighty God whose power has no limitation whatsoever, and whose authority is eternal.

Satan, like King Nebuchadnezzar, wants to make men think that he has all the power and authority. However, like King Nebuchadnezzar, his power is limited in the scope as well. So, we need not fear man nor the devil. Jesus has all power and authority in Heaven and on earth. (Matt. 28:18). Trust in Jesus Christ and He will rescue you from the power of man and Satan.

D. **Fourth, God's power rescues and saves from the fiery furnace.**

The King had the furnace heated up seven times hotter than normal. He wanted to prove that there was no God who could save from that kind of heat. It was so hot that the men who threw them into the fire perished from the heat.

However, there was not one hair on their head or body that was even singed. Their clothes were not scorched and their bodies had no smell of smoke. It was as though they had never been in the fire.

Now, all of this was discovered after the King commanded them to come up out of the fire. However, before he commanded them to come up out of the fire, there was another King down in the fire with them. He was King Jesus. King Nebuchadnezzar would have perished had he stepped into the furnace to be with them. But the One in the furnace with them was the Son of God whom the flame couldn't harm and He is the One who protected the three Hebrew men.

When we trust Jesus Christ as Lord, Master and Savior, He will protect in the flames and then eventually call us up out of the flames because He Himself conquered death, hell and the grave. So, don't fear death, Child of God, because Jesus defeated it.

III. Third, let us notice the avenue to God's rescuing and saving power. (vs. 16-18,28). *Now, what I am referring to here is, what is the means whereby we are able to experience and enjoy God's rescuing and saving power? The answer is quite clear and the King is the one who acknowledges what it was and what it is. The King acknowledged that the three Hebrew men had trusted in God and defied the King. (vs. 28).*

So, the answer that makes god's saving and rescuing power available was and is faith and faith alone, and I am referring to absolute surrendering faith. Do you trust God with that kind of faith? Let us pray as the one man did to Jesus, I believe, help my unbelief. (Mark 9:24).

IV. Fourth, let us notice the aim of God's rescuing and saving power.

The primary aim of God rescuing and saving the three Hebrew men was to prove to the King that He, God, could indeed rescue His people from the fiery furnace. So, it was all about honoring and glorifying Himself, and it worked because the King acknowledged that there is no God but the God of the three Hebrew men who has the power to rescue and save in this manner.

However, the cool thing was that when God demonstrated his power to the King, it also greatly benefited the three Hebrew men.

When we trust God we need to understand that His power is primarily for us to use to exalt and magnify the name of Jesus. But as we do, God's power will also deliver us. Our God is great, amazing and awesome. For with His power He honors Himself and He delivers us.

Concl. Let us take our stand in god's strength and then let us watch God honor His name and save us.

Jesus Loves You

Ralph Lee, Jr.

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-
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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

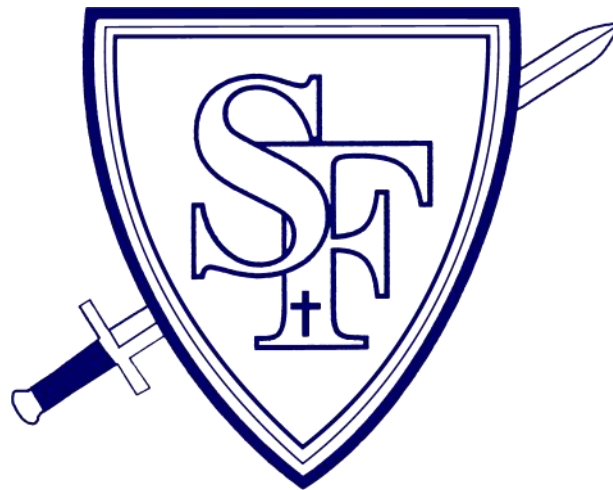
R.A.'S (Royal Ambassadors) *Room 417*
Leader-Pat Mason

G.A.'S (GIRLS IN ACTION) *Room 415*
Leader-Carol Davis/Diane Thames



WEDNESDAY
NIGHT
Suppers

Wednesday Night Suppers
Menu to be Announced
and
Sunday Morning Breakfast
Resumes today
Sunday, September 12th.



Step of Faith

CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

SFCA

After School Helper

Needed ASAP

2-6pm Monday thru Friday

See Donna Carter

Stewardship

Tithes	This Week	Weekly Budget	Surplus/Deficit + / -
	<i>\$ 3,186.00</i>	<i>\$ 4,982.47</i>	<i>+\$ 1,698.83</i>
<i>Online Offerings</i>	<i>\$ 3,595.30</i>		
Designated Funds	This Week	*****	Acct. Balances
<i>Operation Christmas Child (Quilt)</i>	<i>\$ 30.00</i>	<i>*****</i>	<i>\$ 814.22</i>

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION
Savannah River Baptist Association

Relentless FAITH

The Key to Victory

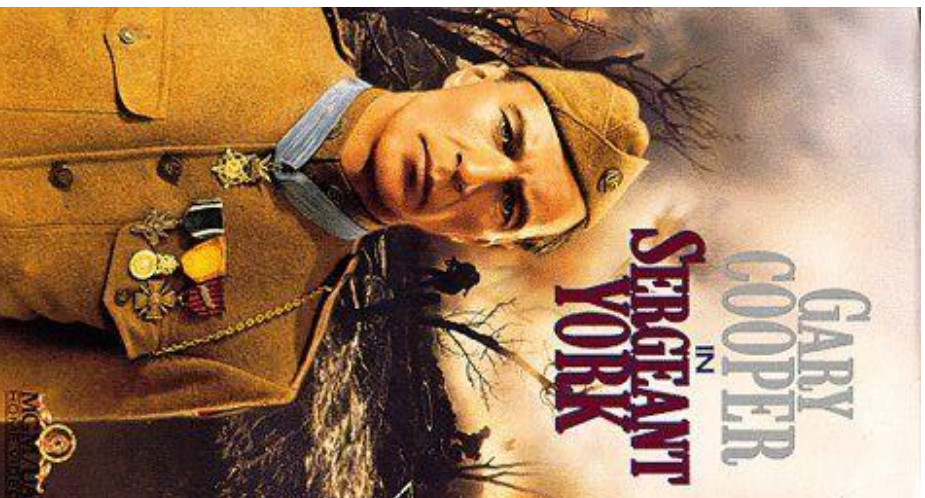


**WMMU Fall Meeting
September 18, 2021**

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



Movie Night

September 12th
Concessions: 6:00 pm
Movie: 6:30 pm

Popcorn
&
Tea
provided

Bring finger foods
to share



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

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
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>Vera Floyd</i>	<i>Scott Boyles</i>
<i>Barbara Mills</i>	<i>Ann Blocker</i>
<i>Gary Way</i>	<i>Kenneth & Doby Cleland</i>
<i>Kenny Smith</i>	<i>Redden & Gloria Tuten</i>
<i>Carol Bradham</i>	<i>Lucille & Ron Degler</i>
	<i>Red & Helen Malphrus</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
Frankie Malphrus*

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
Phyllis Sutler
Sara Davis
Bob Cramer
Shelby Green
Karen Phillipi
Bertha Kinard
Marie Malphrus
Mel Toland
Kenny Hay
Lee Martin
Alexus Busby
Cabiness Family
Natalyn Mann
Max & Nicole Cole
Lynn Glasser
Mary Kay
Paul & Rhonda Sims
Jeremiah Vaigneur*

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*

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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>Sunday</i>	<i>12th</i>	<i>Shirley Malphrus</i>
<i>Monday</i>	<i>13th</i>	<i>Grace Malphrus</i>
<i>Thursday</i>	<i>16th</i>	<i>Doby Cleland</i>



<i>Sunday</i>	<i>12th</i>	<i>Patrick & Kim Malphrus</i>
<i>Thursday</i>	<i>16th</i>	<i>Krey & Faye Lowther</i>



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

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