

SERMON NOTES

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Choir Practice

Every Sunday this month there will be choir practice immediately following the Worship Service

Easter Candy Donations

We need your candy donations to fill 5,000 Easter Eggs for our Easter Egg Hunt (no large candies, lollipops, or chocolate please)

Dessert Auction & Lunch Plate Senior Camp Fundraiser

Sunday, April 26 after the Worship Service

Mark your calendars now and sign-up to donate your best homemade desserts at Welcome Center

BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH

MARCH 22, 2026

A BLUE PRINT FOR OUR CHURCH
IT CAN'T COMPARE



TO KNOW, TO GROW, TO SHOW THE LOVE OF GOD

Welcome to Bible Baptist Church! We are a community of believers committed to knowing, growing in, and showing the love of God as we work together to change the world, one person at a time.

Senior Pastor, Mike Spann

SERVICE TIMES

SUNDAY MORNING

Life Groups All Ages

9:00 am

Worship Service

10:30 am

WEDNESDAY EVENING

UNASHAMED Student Ministry

6:30 pm

Bible Kids' Clubs

6:30 pm

Single Moms

6:30 pm

WEDNESDAY MIDDAY

Adult Bible study

11:00 AM

Adult Bible Study

7:00 pm

And whosoever will be chief among you, let him be your servant:

Matthew 20:27

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MARCH EVENTS

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Lord's Supper - Sunday, March 29 at 4:30pm

The Lord's Supper is for saved and baptized members of BBC. This is a time for corporate unity and individual scrutiny of our walk with Jesus and remembrance of what He has done.

APRIL EVENTS

2-4

48 Hours of Prayer & Fasting - April 2 at 6pm to April 4 at 6pm

We would like to cover this 48 hour period with prayer & fasting for our Easter Services.

Sign-up for your time period at Welcome Center.

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Easter Services - Sunday, April 5 at 8am Sunrise Service

8:30am Easter Breakfast, 9:45am Main Worship Service, Easter Egg Hunt to follow.

3/15/26 GIVING

GENERAL

\$12,555.14

MISSIONS

\$4,460.82

BUILDING

\$489.46

TOTAL

\$17,505.42

It Can't Compare

Eph. 1:1-3

Why do we like to compare prices when shopping? Why do we try to compare ourselves with other people? Why do we compare what we have to what others have?

Ephesians is addressed to a group of believers who are rich beyond measure in Jesus Christ, yet living as beggars, and only because they are ignorant of their wealth. Remember, blueprints contain all the information that is needed to build or make something. This book was written not because of error in the church but to prevent any errors creeping in the church. When believers try to live this life outside of Christ, then they will be empty.

A good blueprint to follow is knowing that you have every _____ to enable you to live this life for Christ. Church, you can be what Christ wants you to be because of the spiritual blessings you have in Him!

- **God is the _____ of our Spiritual Blessings**
 - God the Father has made us rich in Jesus Christ!
 - Through Christ, you share in the riches of God's grace (**1:7; 2:7**); God's glory (**1:18; 3:16**), God's mercy (**2:4**), and "the unsearchable riches of Christ" (**3:8**). Therefore, we have more than enough reasons to praise Him. That what "blessed" means in **verse 3**.
 - God the Father planned and was the Originator of every spiritual blessing. All spiritual blessings are ours (if we are believers) in Christ, by Whom we were redeemed.
- **Jesus Christ has _____ our Spiritual Blessings**
 - The origin of all spiritual blessings is "in heavenly places" Why?
 - Because our Heavenly Father is in the heavenlies (**Matt. 7:11**).
 - From there our Savior came – "For the bread of God is he which cometh down from heaven, and giveth life unto the world" (**John 6:33**).
 - The Holy Spirit came from the heavenlies – "But when the Comforter is come, whom I will send unto you from the Father, even the Spirit of truth, which proceedeth from the Father, he shall testify of me" (**John 15:26**).
 - The Lord Jesus Christ is there now! He said He would – "I came forth from the Father, and am come into the world: again, I leave the world, and go to the Father" (**John 16:28**).
 - When He had by himself purged our sins, He ascended back to the Father, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty, and He is there today to make intercession for us (**Rom. 8:34; Heb. 1:1-3**). We are identified with Christ:
 - In nature (**2 Pet. 1:4** – share His divine nature)
 - In life (**Col. 3:4** – our life; **1 John 5:12** – eternal life)
 - In relationship (**John 20:17** – your Father... your God; **Heb. 2:11** – calls us brother)
 - In service (**John 17:18** – sent by the Father; **Matt. 28:20** – will teach you)
 - In suffering (**Phil. 1:29** – called to suffer for Him; **Rom. 8:17** – Joint-heirs to suffer with him)
 - In future glory (**Rev. 1:6** – made us kings and priests unto God; **Rev. 5:10** – reign with him).
 - In **John 17** Jesus prayed, making it clear that He was not asking the Heavenly Father to take us out of the earth, but to take care of us while we remain on the earth.
- _____ **Bestows us our Spiritual Blessings**

- God's blessings in the Spirit come only as we yield fully to the leadership of the Holy Spirit.
 - We have "all spiritual blessings." It means we have "all the blessings of the Spirit," referring to the Holy Spirit of God.
 - Today, He promises to supply all our needs "according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus" (**Phil. 4:19**), but he does not promise to shield us from either poverty or pain.
- The Spirit is the one who channels our riches to us from the Father, through the Son.
 - If you don't know the Spirit of God, then you are not His. "Now if any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of his" (**Rom. 8:9**). Unless you have the witness of the Spirit (**Rom. 8:15-16**), you cannot draw on the wealth of the Spirit.
 - The fact that we are presently seated "in heavenly places in Christ" blows my mind. Our citizenship is in heaven (**Phil. 3:20**); our name is written in heaven (Luke 10:20); our Father is in heaven; and our attention and affection ought to be centered on the things of heaven (**Col. 3:1**).
 - "In heavenly places" literally describes where Jesus Christ is right now and where the believer is seated with Him (**2:6**).
 - The battles we fight are not with flesh and blood on earth, but with satanic powers "in the heavenlies."
- **Illustration/Application: Scuba diving**
 - In Christ "we live and move and have our being." In Christ we have _____. In Christ we have _____ to live this life for Him. In Christ we _____ Satan, the flesh, and the world. In Christ our needs are all _____.
 - Divers go below the surface of the ocean; but they must carry oxygen tanks to breathe to do this. Man cannot live under water except he be supplied with air from earth or an oxygen tank. Thus,
 - Thus, man born of God cannot live a spiritual life without a _____ supply of Heaven-sent grace, strength, power, and blessing. Some of you have cut off the spiritual supply from the Lord and are worn out!

A good blueprint to follow is realizing that you have _____ you need from God the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit to live for Christ and His glory!