

SERMON NOTES

ANNOUNCEMENTS

10-Week Adult Bible Studies

It's not too late to join one of these studies on Wednesdays at 6:30pm or Sundays at 4:30pm

Bridal Shower

Ladies, join us for Madalyn Doorneweerd's Bridal shower, Saturday, September 19th at 10:30am at 17087 River Hills Dr, Gulfport
Registry is on Amazon, please RSVP to 228-343-2752

Friend Day

Take the Invite Card in your bulletin and invite someone to Friend Day!
Write the names of those you invite on your Friend Day Prayer Card and pray for them daily!

Home Gatherings

This is a potluck style family fellowship at one of our church member's homes on Sunday, October 11th at 4:30pm!
Sign-up at The Welcome Center!

BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH

September 6, 2026

BLUEPRINT FOR OUR CHURCH

THE GIFT THAT KEEPS GIVING
PART 1



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 MIDDAY

Adult Bible study

11:00 AM

WEDNESDAY EVENING

UNASHAMED Student Ministry

6:30 pm

Bible Kids' Clubs

6:30 pm

Single Moms

6:30 pm

Adult Bible Study

6:30 pm

*A man that hath friends must shew himself friendly:
and there is a friend that sticketh closer than a brother.
Proverbs 18:24*

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SEPTEMBER EVENTS

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Service time Change - Wednesday, September 9th at 11am
There will be no midday services on this day

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Church Workday - Saturday, September 12th at 8am
Come lend a helping hand around campus

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Friend Day - Sunday, September 20th at 10:30am
Invite those that don't have a church home and those that need to hear the gospel
We will have special music by Overflow Legacy from WOL

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STORM - Sunday, September 20th at 4:30 pm
Sending Teens Out to Reach the Masses is our largest youth outreach event!

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CCA at BBC - Sunday, September 27th at 10:30 am
Come see CCA highlighted during this Worship Service

8/30/26 GIVING

GENERAL	\$38,292.37
MISSIONS	\$3,521.24
BUILDING	\$400.63
CAPITAL CAMPAIGN	\$0.00
TOTAL	\$42,214.24

The Gift that Keeps on Giving

Eph. 2:1-10

God's ultimate purpose in our salvation is that for all eternity the church might _____ God's grace (1:6, 12, 14). Therefore, church we should know that salvation is a gift that keeps on giving because God's Work is still at work!

- **God's _____ in Us**

- Good works are a part of God's plan.
 - The word translated "workmanship" *poiema* from the Greek, indicates that we are His poem, His masterpiece. Each of our lives is the canvas on which the Master is producing a work of art that will fill the everlasting ages with His praise. From the Greek we derive our English word "poem."
 - Remember the day we get saved we are His new creation. "Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new" (2 Cor. 5:17). Salvation is not the end. It's only the beginning.
 - God's purpose is to make us more like Christ. "And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose. For whom he did foreknow, he also did predestinate to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brethren" (Rom. 8:28-29). Salvation is the good work God does in us when we trust His Son as Savior (Philippians 2:12-13).
- The work God does _____ us – salvation.
 - The cross work of Christ is a completed work. We come to God with nothing to offer.
- The work God does _____ us – sanctification.
 - There is no progression for salvation because it is a completed work, but there is progression in our sanctification. Peter says "But as he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation;" why is that? "Because it is written, Be ye holy; for I am holy."
 - A question you need to ask yourself, "Am I willing to surrender it all to Him so that I can grow in Him?" To be holy is to be morally blameless. It is to be separated from sin and consecrated to God. To live a holy life is to live a life in conformity to the moral precepts of the Bible and in contrast to the sinful ways of the world. It is to live a life characterized by "That ye put off concerning the former conversation the old man, which is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts...And that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness" (Ephesians 4:22, 24).
 - Remember, we have to make the right choice in life... either to choose God's unconditional gift of salvation or try and figure it out on our own?
- Life is the TOTAL of all my decisions and their corresponding actions.
 - The most attractive choices often lead me to the most unattractive results (Proverbs 14:12)
 - ~ Sin is seductive (enticing) because it offers me a QUICK route to success
 - ~ If I follow the easy path, eventually, my desire will become my MASTER.
 - ~ Even if sin is appealing, it is DEADLY.
 - RIGHT choices are not always easy to make (Mark 8:34)

- ~ A decision to follow Jesus COSTS something
- ~ A decision to follow Jesus is also WORTH something
- ~ I must LEAVE behind those things, which would keep me from following Jesus.
- Most of my choices have LONG-TERM effects (Proverbs 13:6)
 - ~ Every choice set into effect the law of sowing and REAPING. The course of a decision sets into effect.
 - ~ Sow a THOUGHT reap an ACTION,
 - ~ Sow an Action reap a HABIT,
 - ~ Sow a Habit reap a CHARACTER,
 - ~ Sow a Character reap a LIFE.
- Living right through right choices is like posting a GUARD on my life
- So, if holiness is to be morally blameless, then what does it look like?
 - ~ _____ and _____ of your Sin (1 John 1:9)
 - Call it what it is – sin!
 - Confess it – Admit to it and agree with God that you’re doing it
 - ~ _____ your Sin (Proverbs 28:13)
 - Relinquish is just another name for abandon or forsake. When you forsake something then it means to leave behind – never returning to it again. It means to leave it alone – never returning to it again. It also means to restore or repair.
 - ~ _____ your Fellowship with the Lord (Romans 12:1-2)
 - Surrender your life to Him and renew your heart and mind in the Word of God.

The Gift that Keeps on Giving – Part 2

Eph. 2:1-10

- **God's Work _____ Us**
 - We are not saved by faith plus good works, but by a faith that works.
 - Saving faith will always result in a changed life.
 - The work of God does through us – _____. We are called to serve
 - God is not looking for all of your qualifications or abilities; He is looking for your _____. He will give you the words, the opportunities, and the ability, but He wants you to give Him your trust, faith, and willingness to serve. God always has a design in mind when He chooses a person.
 - ~ When God sees a growing, loving, and responsive relationship of trust in Him by one of His children, He continues His call on that person's life.
 - The key to being used by God is the condition of our _____ and our _____ to respond in obedience to His call on our life
 - ~ Our use to God does not rest in our abilities or talents or in the lack of them, but in our availability.
 - ~ God's call in your life always includes your intimate involvement with _____ people in and through the local church
 - Remember we don't perform good works to glorify ourselves but to glorify our _____! (Matt. 7:21).
 - Also, these good works are also "prepared" or ordained.
 - The unbeliever walks "according to the course of this world (2:2), but the believer walks in the good works God has prepared for him. Don't forget that the will of God comes from the heart of God! And it is the Spirit of God that will reveal God's will from His Word (1 Cor. 2:9-13).
 - ~ God has often been working in our lives so that our good works can be a _____ to the lost world.
 - For example, God used Paul's chains while in prison to reach the lost. Little did the Roman officials realize that the chains they apprehended him with would release him rather than bind him! Even when wrote in his prison epistle "Wherein I suffer trouble, as an evil doer, [even] unto bonds; but the word of God is not bound" (2 Tim. 2:9). You can't have that kind of attitude if your focus is not for the glory of God. "Whether therefore ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God" (1 Cor. 10:31). Paul didn't complain about his situation (his chains), he didn't try to always look for a reason why this keeps happening to him; instead, he consecrated the people to the Lord and asked Him to use his chains for the furthering of the Gospel. And God answered his prayers!
 - ~ These chains that God gave Paul helped him in making _____ with the lost!
 - ~ These chains gave Paul contact with another group of people: the _____ in Caesar's court.
 - ~ Paul's chains not only gave him contact with the lost, but it gave _____ to the saved (v. 14).
- **Application:**

- Sometimes God has to put “chains” on His people to get them to _____ the “Furtherance of the Gospel.”
 - We must embrace the God’s purpose for the chains
 - We must understand that God has a plan (Romans 8:29). God has two purposes in that plan: our good and His glory. Ultimately, He will make us like Jesus Christ!
- He has worked _____ you; now let Him work _____ and _____ you!
 Re-surrender your life or stay surrendered to Him, but if you are not in His will then:
 - Recognize and Repent of your Sin (1 John 1:9)
 - ~ Call it what it is – sin!
 - ~ Confess it – Admit to it and agree with God that you’re doing it
 - Relinquish your Sin
 - ~ *“He that covereth his sins shall not prosper: but whoso confesseth and forsaketh [them] shall have mercy”* (Proverbs 28:13)
 - Renew your Fellowship with the Lord (Romans 12:1-2)