

JULY 31, 2022

BAPTIST CHURCH

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From Pastor Perkins

FIRST THINGS FIRST



Jesus ran into trouble with people because He challenged the order of their priority. Just as so often happens today, people wanted to use Jesus to push their agendas rather than re-ordering their lives around those issues that Jesus thought were more important.

For us survival, security, shelter and daily bread are the most important issues of life. Our basic instinct is to survive by any means necessary. For many people, the purpose of God's existence is to provide for our comfort and security.

Jesus saw that people lived their lives in such a way that they did not take into consideration that God is concerned about these basic issues of life, but He has a larger concern, and that is that we seek to build His Kingdom on earth as it is in heaven.

He said, "Do not worry about what you're going to wear or what you're going to eat. Your heavenly Father knows that you have need of these things. But seek first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things will be added to you" (St. Matthew 6:31-33).

In other words, He challenges us to rearrange our priorities and put God first! Food, shelter and the mere creature comforts of life are not first. To put them first reduces us to the level of an animal. God and His Kingdom are first! The creature comforts of life are given. God is going to provide these things for us anyway.

We need to hear this reassuring message. Let's put God first with the blessed assurance that He will provide all our needs.

Be blessed.

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NEWS AND NOTES

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Reopening Phase II

We are pleased to announce that we are moving into our next phase towards full reopening of our worship and ministry services and activities. In this phase we will:

- Return to in-person Sunday Study Hour classes. They will meet at 9:00 AM and meet in their same locations as before. We are trying to continue to offer classes on conference lines and other virtual options as well as the in-person option.
- Resume in-person ministry meetings and activities. Ministry leaders must contact the church office and complete a space reservation form to schedule meetings and activities.
- Music ministry return to full operation (full choir) and in-person rehearsals.
- Funeral Service Guidelines:
 1. Home going Services for Members Only.
 2. Temperature checks are required, masks and Social Distancing for All in attendance.
 3. The Deceased family members may sit together.
 4. Repast options are not available at this time.
 5. Video recordings and Live-streams need to be arranged through the Funeral Home as part of their Funeral Service Contract/ package.
 6. Availability for DVD picture presentations during Family Hour must be preapproved by funeral committee in conjunction with the technical arts ministry.

Please note that we will continue to:

- Social Distance
- Properly wear mask at all services, meetings, and activities held in our facilities.
- Encourage hand sanitizing frequently

We pray that more of you will feel comfortable coming back to in-person worship services and return to all of the wonderful ministry work that you have been involved with in the past.

Let's all stay prayerful, vigilant, and adhere to the various safety protocols so that we can be comfortable coming back together.

COME BACK TO CHURCH

24/7 prayer

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Manna

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7:00 am

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