

Pastorial REFLECTIONS

November 15, 2020

“For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind” **2 Timothy 1:7.**

The **Coronavirus** is real, however through faith with God we can overcome it! Listed below are tips and precautions that we as a church are taking and are encouraging you to practice.

Take steps to protect yourself



Clean your hands often

- **Wash your hands** often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds especially after you have been in a public place, or after blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing.
- If soap and water are not readily available, **use a hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol.** Cover all surfaces of your hands and rub them together until they feel dry.
- **Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth** with unwashed hands.



Avoid close contact

- Avoid close contact with people who are sick
- Put **distance between yourself and other people** if COVID-19 is spreading in your community. This is especially important for people who are at higher risk of getting very sick.



Stay home if you're sick

- **Stay home** if you are sick, except to get medical care.



Cover coughs and sneezes

- **Cover your mouth and nose** with a tissue when you cough or sneeze or use the inside of your elbow.
- Throw used tissues in the trash.
- Immediately **wash your hands** with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If soap and water are not readily available, clean your hands with a hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol.



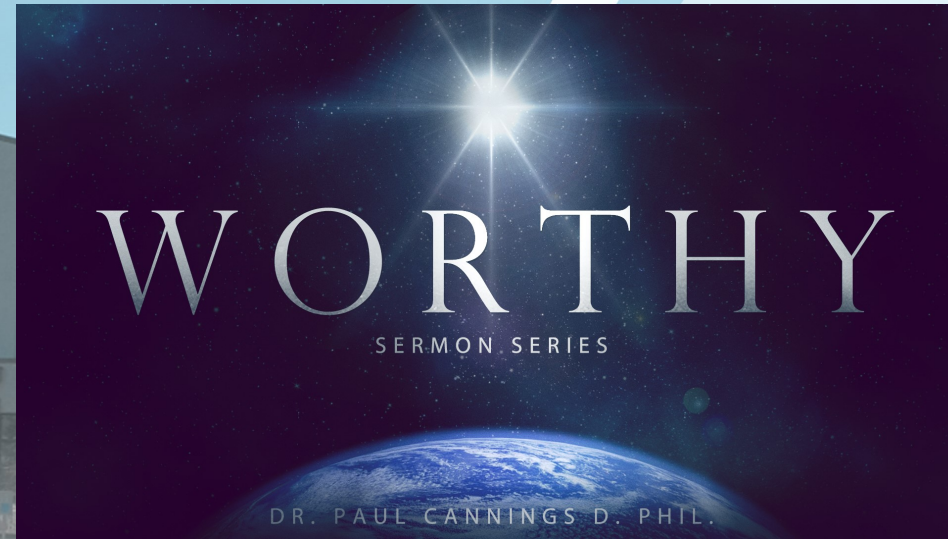
Wear a facemask if you are sick

- **If you are sick:** You should wear a facemask when you are around other people (e.g., sharing a room or vehicle) and before you enter a healthcare provider's office. If you are not able to wear a facemask (for example, because it causes trouble breathing), then you should do your best to cover your coughs and sneezes, and people who are caring for you should wear a facemask if they enter your room.
- **If you are NOT sick:** You do not need to wear a facemask unless you are caring for someone who is sick (and they are not able to wear a face-mask). Facemasks may be in short supply and they should be saved for caregivers.



Clean and disinfect

- **Clean AND disinfect frequently touched surfaces daily.** This includes tables, doorknobs, light switches, countertops, handles, desks, phones, keyboards, toilets, faucets, and sinks.
- **If surfaces are dirty, clean them:** Use detergent or soap and water prior to disinfection.



ORDER OF WORSHIP

Announcements

Song

Communion

Praise & Worship

Visitor's Welcome

Worship In Giving

Offering boxes are located at all perimeters under crosses

Special Music

The Word of God

Breakthrough

Psalm 66:16-20

Dr. Paul Cannings, Senior Pastor

Sermon notes available online at www.lwfellowshipchurch.org

Click on the "Media" tab and click "Sermon Outline"

Call to Discipleship

Please remain seated at this time

Benediction & Closing Song

UPCOMING Events



Administrative Offices Closed

Happy Thanksgiving - The Administration Offices will be closed Wednesday, November 25th thru Friday, November 27th. The offices will re-open on Monday, November 30th at 8:30 am.

No Bible Study on Tuesday, November 24th.



Center for Christian Living "Making it Through the Valley"

Despite the pandemic, get ready for an exciting time in the Word of God as we walk through the valley with His protection and presence. Allow God's Word to comfort and keep you on **Tuesday night November 17th** on Free Conference Call System.



The Gathering at Living Word

Each year we get together for a church-wide Thanksgiving feast. Unfortunately, we are unable to host this type of event due to the pandemic and CDC guidelines.



Thankfully, we can still gather together and give God praise at our two-day weekend event.

Day 1: Break Bread with The Block— The Christian Outreach Center is partnering with **Phillip 66** to package and distribute gift baskets to the community on Saturday, **November 21st from 11am-1pm.**

Day 2: Pull Up & Give Thanks—Join us in the parking lot on **Sunday, November 22nd at 2pm** for music, entertainment.

Breakthrough

Psalm 66:16-20

A. A Heart Felt Cry (Vs. 16-17):

1. Come; walked together – We are all commanded to change direction, commit to a godly lifestyle and walk responsibly before God.
2. Hear – When we turn towards God, we are commanded to provide our undivided attention so that we fully understand, with complete clarity, a true knowledge of God.
3. Fear – Coming to a complete understanding is from those who recognize the power and authority of God so that they reverence Him respecting His holy nature.
4. God – David uses God here to highlight why we should reverence Him. God meaning, He is Creator and sovereign over everything, and the entire Godhead is engaged in all that He does.
5. What He has done, act – David commitments to completely proclaim, to all those who come, that God obligated Himself to faithfully execute His creative ability to labor and toil in David's behalf.
6. My soul – nephesh – God's work for David powerfully impacted David's day to day life so that it was preserved and blessed.
7. I cried to Him – Because God fights for David each and every day, life is great and revered. David loudly calls to Him with the expectation that God would hear Him and clearly understand the specific message David is seeking to communicate.
8. With my mouth – With my mouth is more of a description of the David's disposition towards God.
9. Extol – David's cry to God caused God to publicly, before all who gathered that fear God, to be highly exalted for who God is by His very nature and as a result of how God has powerfully served him.

B. The Lord Answers (Vs. 18-19):

1. I regard wickedness; See – To regard means that David has a complete understanding to the point that he clearly sees; he is strategically planning to be deceptive as in the case of Bathsheba.
2. Hear – The deceptive plans is a part of his deepest most innermost feelings that is so powerful it can move him to act wickedly.
3. Lord (Adonay not Yahweh) will not hear – The Lord who sincerely desires a relationship with us and has the power, might and authority to bless us to overcome all obstacles will not provide us His undivided attention. He would demonstrate no desire to put in the time or energy to come to a full understanding of what our needs are (John 15:7).
4. Certainly God has heard – For sure God who is sovereign and supreme over everything has provided His undivided attention and has a clear, comprehensive understanding of all that David desires.
5. He has given heed; Attention – The Lord has already completely come to a full consciousness with a willingness to do what David desires.
6. Voice; Proclamation – Instead of just saying God heard his prayer David said 'the voice' meaning the noise of his loud, boisterous cry by which he prayed.
7. Prayer – The prayer here means that David's prayer was set to music in a formal worship service.

C. His Lovingkindness is Everlasting (Vs 20):

1. Blessed be God – God is going to be in a state of prosperity experiencing all the goodwill He desires so that He is praised.
2. Turn away; Depart – God did not in the past to the present turn aside, cut off or cast away the loud, boisterous request of David.
3. Prayer – God gave His complete undivided attention to the prayer David shaped into worshipful, reverent music before God.
4. Nor His lovingkindness – God loyal, steadfast, generous kindness was also extended faithfully so that He consistently fulfilled His covenantal love to David.

PRAYER REQUEST

Grieving: John Henderson & family, Aaron Cormier & family, Cheryl Beal & family, Vivian Buckner & family, Joe cook & family, Maria Perkins & family, Pat Crawford & family, Eleanor Wilson & family, and Phil Baillou & family.

Health and Healing: Lurlean Lane, Florence Wiggins, Hattie Williams, Retha Amos, Octavia Scott, Margaret Baptiste, Cici Sharpe, Eunice Johnson, Jeffrey McQueen, Booker Wheatley, Brittany Bullock, Sara-Beth Mathis, Barbara Gordon, Ella James, Debra Gaines, Pat Crawford, Lisa Roberts, Birdie Williams, and Jon Heard.



PSALM 66:16-22