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1 Samuel 7:12 NKJV



Happy 61st Anniversary

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Berean Bible Church

Service of **Worship & Communion**

Sunday, 1st October, 2017

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship - 10:40 a.m. | Evening Service - 6:00 p.m.
Midweek Service (Wednesday) - 7:30 p.m.
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ALL ARE WELCOME!

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7 Then the men of Kirjath Jearim came and took the ark of the Lord, and brought it into the house of Abinadab on the hill, and consecrated Eleazar his son to keep the ark of the Lord.

Samuel Judges Israel

2 So it was that the ark remained in Kirjath Jearim a long time; it was there twenty years. And all the house of Israel lamented after the Lord.

3 Then Samuel spoke to all the house of Israel, saying, “If you return to the Lord with all your hearts, then put away the foreign gods and the Ashtoreths[a] from among you, and prepare your hearts for the Lord, and serve Him only; and He will deliver you from the hand of the Philistines.” 4 So the children of Israel put away the Baals and the Ashtoreths,[b] and served the Lord only.

5 And Samuel said, “Gather all Israel to Mizpah, and I will pray to the Lord for you.” 6 So they gathered together at Mizpah, drew water, and poured it out before the Lord. And they fasted that day, and said there, “We have sinned against the Lord.” And Samuel judged the children of Israel at Mizpah.

7 Now when the Philistines heard that the children of Israel had gathered together at Mizpah, the lords of the Philistines went up against Israel. And when the children of Israel heard of it, they were afraid of the Philistines. 8 So the children of Israel said to Samuel, “Do not cease to cry out to the Lord our God for us, that He may save us from the hand of the Philistines.”

9 And Samuel took a suckling lamb and offered it as a whole burnt offering to the Lord. Then Samuel cried out to the Lord for Israel, and the Lord answered him. 10 Now as Samuel was offering up the burnt offering, the Philistines drew near to battle against Israel. But the Lord thundered with a loud thunder upon the Philistines that day, and so confused them that they were overcome before Israel. 11 And the men of Israel went out of Mizpah and pursued the Philistines, and drove them back as far as below Beth Car. 12 Then Samuel took a stone and set it up between Mizpah and Shen, and called its name Ebenezer,[c] saying, “Thus far the Lord has helped us.”

13 So the Philistines were subdued, and they did not come anymore into the territory of Israel. And the hand of the Lord was against the

Philistines all the days of Samuel. 14 Then the cities which the Philistines had taken from Israel were restored to Israel, from Ekron to Gath; and Israel recovered its territory from the hands of the Philistines. Also there was peace between Israel and the Amorites.

15 And Samuel judged Israel all the days of his life. 16 He went from year to year on a circuit to Bethel, Gilgal, and Mizpah, and judged Israel in all those places. 17 But he always returned to Ramah, for his home was there. There he judged Israel, and there he built an altar to the Lord.

Prayer for Guidance in the Day Ahead

Good morning, Lord! Today's a new day, a chance for a new start. Yesterday is gone and with it any regrets, mistakes, or failures I may have experienced. It's a good day to be glad and give thanks, and I do, Lord. Thank you for today, a new opportunity to love, give, and be all that you want me to be.

Today I want to start the day with you on my mind and in my heart. As I dress, let me wear the armor you've provided daily: the helmet of salvation, the breastplate of righteousness, the shield of faith, the belt of truth, the shoes of peace, and the sword of the spirit—with prayer on my tongue: praise for you and petitions for those around me and those I meet.

Feed me today with your daily bread. As the Bread of Life, your food, like manna, will sustain me throughout any trials and hungers. Help me to set my thoughts on things above and to speak only what will help and encourage others. Keep me from putting my foot in my mouth, and help me guard the affections of my heart today, Lord. Make whatever work I do be marked with excellence rather than perfectionism, as I seek not to make a name, but to make a difference. Help me to treat each person I encounter as you would, with respect and love, forgiving others and asking for forgiveness myself when needed.

As I start this day, help me remember that I belong to you, and my desire is to act accordingly. Keep my feet from stumbling and my mind from wandering into distractions that could steal precious time and energy from the most important things you have designed for me. I'm proud to be your child, Lord. And I'm so grateful that you died for me—rising again on your own new morning—so that every day could be filled with the wonder of your love, the freedom of your Spirit, and the joy of knowing you.

I know earthly life is short and fleeting, Lord. But I want to live today as if it were the first or the last day of my life, giving thanks for every good and perfect gift you choose to give. Today, and every day, I want to live my life for you, Jesus. In your precious name, Amen.

Order of Service

Invocation

Hymn # 301

Hymn # 324

Hymn # 333

1st Scripture Reading: Cols 1:3-14

Hymn # 315

Prayer

Notices - Offering

Ministry of Music - Choir

Hymn # 291

Sermon - Rev. Ronald Trotman

Hymn # 414

Distribution of Elements

Special Offering

2nd Scripture Reading: Psalm 86:1-10

Ministry of Music - Dr. Wayne Moore

Benediction - Choir



PLEASE REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR:

- Our 61st Anniversary Celebrations to give God thanks & the glory
- Our Outreach Ministries
- His continued mercy & grace
- The work of the Gideons, CEF, ISCF and The Bible Society
- ImpactWorld (Bdos) Ministries
- The Persecuted Church
- The Sick and Shut-ins



October Birthdays

2nd - Jersey Daniel

8th - Margo Johnson

9th - Patrice Neblett
- Jennifer Piggott

14th - Ryan Bayne

- Trudy Rogers

17th - Leeann Wells

23rd - Kimberley Gaskin

26th - Joy Wallace

28th - Marion Austin

NOVEMBER

3rd - Aletha Lynch

- Henderson Phillips

Anniversaries

5th - Ricardo & Sheryl Parris

10th - Adrian & Cheron Sobers

16th - Chris & Deirdre Boyce

25th - Carl & Delores Ward

NOVEMBER

3rd - Barry & Kimberley Ward