

Baldwin Hills Baptist Church

Sunday, February 21, 2021

Sermon Scriptures

Acts 17:1-6 **1** ¶ Now when they had traveled through Amphipolis and Apollonia, **they came to Thessalonica**, where there was a **synagogue of the Jews**. **2** And according to Paul's custom, he went to them, and **for three Sabbaths** reasoned with them from the Scriptures, **3 explaining and giving evidence that the Christ** had to suffer and rise again from the dead, and *saying*, "**This Jesus** whom I am proclaiming to you **is the Christ.**" **4** And **some of them were persuaded** and joined Paul and Silas, along with **a large number of the God-fearing Greeks** and a **number of the leading women**. **5** But the Jews, **becoming jealous** and taking along some wicked men from the market place, **formed a mob** and set the city in an uproar; and attacking the house of Jason, they were seeking to bring them out to the people. **6** When they did not find them, they *began* dragging Jason and some brethren before the city authorities, shouting, "**These men who have upset the world have come here also;**

2 Thess. 2:1-3 **1** ¶ Now we request you, brethren, with regard to **the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ** and **our gathering together to Him**, **2** that you **not be** quickly shaken from your composure **or be disturbed** either by a spirit or a message or a letter **as if from us**, to the effect **that the day of the Lord has come**. **3** Let **no one** in any way **deceive you**, for *it will not come unless the apostasy comes first*, and the man of lawlessness is revealed, the son of destruction,

2 Thess. 2:7-10a **7** For **the mystery of lawlessness is already at work**; only **he who now restrains will do so until he is taken out of the way**. **8** Then that **lawless one will be revealed** whom the Lord will slay with the breath of His mouth and bring to an end by the appearance of His coming; **9 that is, the one whose coming is in accord with the activity of Satan, with all power and signs and false wonders**, **10** and **with all the deception of wickedness** for those who perish, because they did not receive the love of the truth so as to be saved.

2 Thess. 2:11, 12 **11** For this reason **God will send upon them a deluding influence so that they will believe what is false**, **12** in order that they **all may be judged who did not believe the truth**, but took pleasure in wickedness.

2 Thess. 3:6-15 **6** ¶ Now we command you, brethren, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you **keep away from every brother who leads an unruly life** and not according to the tradition which you received from us. **7** For you yourselves know how **you ought to follow our example**, because **we did not act in an undisciplined manner** among you, **8** nor did we eat anyone's bread without paying for it, but **with labor and hardship we kept working night and day** so that we would not be a burden to any of

you;

2 Thess. 3:9 not because we do not have the right *to this*, but in order **to offer ourselves as a model for you**, so that you would **follow our example**. **10** For even when we were with you, we used to give you this order: **if anyone is not willing to work, then he is not to eat, either**. **11** For we hear that **some among you are leading an undisciplined life, doing no work at all**, but acting like busybodies. **12** Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to work in quiet fashion and eat their own bread. **13** But as for you, brethren, **do not grow weary of doing good**. **14 ¶** **If anyone does not obey our instruction in this letter, take special note of that person and do not associate with him**, so that he will be put to shame. **15** *Yet* do not regard him as an enemy, **but admonish him as a brother**.

Acts 18:1-11 **1 ¶** After these things he left Athens **and went to Corinth**. **2** And he found a **Jew named Aquila**, a native of Pontus, having recently come from Italy with his **wife Priscilla**, because Claudius had **commanded all the Jews to leave Rome**. He came to them, **3** and because **he was of the same trade**, he stayed with them and they were working, for **by trade they were tent-makers**. **4** And he was reasoning in the synagogue every Sabbath and **trying to persuade Jews and Greeks**. **5 ¶** But when Silas and Timothy came down from Macedonia, Paul *began* **devoting himself completely to the word**, solemnly testifying to the Jews **that Jesus was the Christ**. **6** But when **they resisted and blasphemed**, he shook out his garments and said to them, **“Your blood be on your own heads! I am clean. From now on I will go to the Gentiles.”** **7** Then he left there and went to the house of a man named Titius Justus, a worshiper of God, whose house was next to the synagogue. **8** **Crispus**, the leader of the synagogue, **believed in the Lord with all his household, and many of the Corinthians** when they **heard were believing and being baptized**. **9** And **the Lord said to Paul** in the night by a vision, “Do not be afraid *any longer*, but go on speaking and do not be silent; **10** for I am with you, and no man will attack you in order to harm you, **for I have many people in this city.”** **11** And **he settled there a year and six months, teaching the word of God** among them.

1 Cor. 1:10-13 **10 ¶** Now I exhort you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, **that you all agree and that there be no divisions among you**, but that you be made complete in **the same mind and in the same judgment**. **11** For **I have been informed** concerning you, my brethren, by Chloe’s *people*, **that there are quarrels among you**.

12 Now I mean this, that each one of you is saying, “I am of Paul,” and “I of Apollos,” and “I of Cephas,” and “I of Christ.” **13** **Has Christ been divided?** Paul was not crucified for you, was he? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul?

1 Cor. 3:1-4 **1 ¶** And I, brethren, **could not speak to you as to spiritual men**, but as to **men of flesh, as to infants in Christ**. **2** I gave you **milk to drink, not solid food**; for you were not yet able *to receive it*. Indeed, **even now you are not yet able**,

1 Cor. 3:3 for you are still fleshly. For since there is jealousy and strife among you, are you not fleshly, and are you not **walking like mere men**? **4** For when one says, “I am of Paul,” and another, “I am of Apollos,” are you not *mere* men?

1 Cor. 5:1, 2, 1 ¶ It is actually **reported that there is immorality among you**, and immorality of such a kind as does not exist even among the Gentiles, that someone has his father’s wife.

2 You have become arrogant and have not mourned instead, **so that the one who had done this deed would be removed** from your midst.

1 Cor. 5:9-13 9 ¶ I wrote you in my letter **not to associate with immoral people**; **10** I *did* not at all *mean* with the immoral people of this world, or with the covetous and swindlers, or with idolaters, for then you would have to go out of the world. **11** But actually, I wrote to you **not to associate with any so-called brother** if he is an immoral person, or covetous, or an idolater, or a reviler, or a drunkard, or a swindler — not even **to eat with such a one**. **12** For what have I to do with judging outsiders? Do you **not** judge those who are within *the church*? **13** But those who are outside, God judges. **REMOVE THE WICKED MAN FROM AMONG YOURSELVES.**

1 Cor. 6:9-11, 13, 15, 18-20 9 ¶ Or **do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God**? Do not be deceived; neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor homosexuals, **10** nor thieves, nor *the* covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor swindlers, will inherit the kingdom of God. **11** **Such were some of you; but you were washed, but you were sanctified, but you were justified** in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and in the Spirit of our God.

13 Food is for the stomach and the stomach is for food, but God will do away with both of them. **Yet the body is not for immorality**, but for the Lord, and the Lord is for the body.

15 **Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ**? Shall I then take away the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? **May it never be!**

18 **Flee immorality**. Every *other* sin that a man commits is outside the body, but the **immoral man sins against his own body**. **19** Or **do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit who is in you**, whom you have from God, and that **you are not your own**? **20** For you have **been bought with a price**: therefore **glorify God in your body**.

1 Pet. 1:14-16 14 As obedient children, **do not be conformed to the former lusts which were yours** in your ignorance, **15** but **like the Holy One who called you, be holy yourselves also in all your behavior**; **16** because it is written, “**YOU SHALL BE**

HOLY, FOR I AM HOLY.”

1 Cor. 15:12-19 12 ¶ Now if Christ is preached, that He has been raised from the dead, **how do some among you say that there is no resurrection of the dead?**

13 But **if there is no resurrection** of the dead, **not even Christ has been raised;**

14 and if Christ has not been raised, then **our preaching is vain, your faith also is vain.**

15 Moreover we are even found *to be* false witnesses of God, because we testified against God that He raised Christ, whom He did not raise, **if in fact the dead are not raised.**

16 For **if the dead are not raised, not even Christ has been raised;**

17 and if Christ has not been raised, **your faith is worthless;** you are **still in your sins.**

18 Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ **have perished.**

19 If we have hoped in Christ **in this life only**, we are of all men most to be pitied.

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