



Good News

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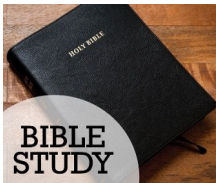
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BIBLE STUDY



The Pastor's Wednesday afternoon and evening Bible Study Classes are recessed until further notice.



NOON PRAYER SERVICE

PRAYER SERVICE is held every **Wednesday** at 12:00 noon in the Chapel.

BI-ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

Will be held on **Wednesday, December 9, 2020**, at 7:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. This meeting is reserved for **church members only**.

Masks must be worn and **social distancing** will be observed.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday
9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.








SERMONS

CDs and DVDs are available through the Audio Ministry. Visit www.mbcdet.com/media or via the **MBCDET app** to listen to archived sermons.



Pastor Charles D. Twymon

-  November 1, 2020, 11:00 a.m.
"The Whole Duty of Man"
Ecclesiastes 12:13-14
Pastor Charles Twymon
-  November 8, 2020, 11:00 a.m.
"Out on a Limb to See Jesus"
Luke 19:1-6
Pastor Charles Twymon
-  November 15, 2020, 11:00 a.m.
"This Day and That Day"
2 Timothy 1:7-14
Pastor Charles Twymon
- Thanksgiving Message*
-  November 22, 2020, 11:00 a.m.
"Where are the Nine?"
Luke 17:11-19
Pastor Charles Twymon
-  November 29, 2020, 11:00 a.m.
"Fiery Darts"
Ephesians 6:11-17
Pastor Charles Twymon

NEW MEMBERS

We welcome our new members who joined in November.



Welcome to
Macedonia

SYBIL LOVELL
AUDRINE VANCEAVE

HAPPY
75th BIRTHDAY
Pastor Twymon

Sunday, December 13, 2020

Pastor Twymon, thank you for feeding God's flock the spiritual food and drink we need through teaching us the meanings and applications of the Word of God. Thank you for your sound doctrine, and this food for our souls. We wish you the happiest of birthdays, this year and always. Love Always, your church family.

In lieu of gifts and cards, Pastor Twymon is asking that all members donate to the Be-nevolent Fund in honor of his birthday.



IF JESUS CAME TO YOUR HOUSE

By Lois Blanchard Eades

If Jesus came to your house, to spend a day or two.
If he came unexpectedly, I wonder what you'd do.

Oh, I know you'd give your nicest room to such an honored Guest, and all the food you'd serve to Him would be the very best.

And you would keep reassuring Him you're glad to have Him there. That serving Him in your home is joy beyond compare!

But when you saw Him coming, would you meet Him at the door, with arms outstretched in welcome to your Heavenly Visitor?

Or would you have to change your clothes before you let Him in, or hide some magazines and put the Bible where they'd been?

Would you turn off the radio and hope He hadn't heard—and wish you hadn't uttered that last, loud, hasty word?

Would you hide your worldly music and put some hymn books out? Could you just let Jesus walk right in, or would you rush about?

And I wonder, if the Saviour spent a day or two with you would you go right on doing the things you always do?

Would you keep right on saying the things you always say? Would life for you continue as it does from day to day?

Would your family conversations keep up its normal pace? And would you find it hard each meal to say a table grace?

Would you sing the songs you always sing and read the books you read, and let him know the things on which your mind and spirit feed?

Would you take Jesus with you everywhere you'd planned to go. Or would you maybe change your plans for just a day or so?

Would you be glad for Him to meet your very closest friends, or hope that they'd stay away until His visit ends?

Would you be glad to have Him stay forever on and on. Or would you sigh with great relief when He at last was gone?

It might be interesting to know the things that you would do, If Jesus came in person to spend the holidays with you.

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THE CHILD GREW AND
BECAME STRONG,
FILLED WITH
WISDOM;
AND THE FAVOR OF GOD
WAS UPON HIM.
Luke 2:40

THE GIFT

"Thanks for the electric guitar you gave me for Christmas," little Chris Cody said to his uncle the first time he saw him after the holidays. "It's the best present I ever got."

"That's great," said his uncle. "Do you know how to play it?"

"Oh, I don't play it," the little fellow said. "My mom gives me a dollar a day not to play it during the day and my dad gives me five dollars a week not to play it at night."

Source: <http://jokes.christiansunite.com/>



GOD'S
GREATEST
GIFT

*If you look for Me
at Christmas,
you won't need a star ~
I'm no longer just in Bethlehem,
I'm right there where you are.
You may not be aware of Me
amid the celebrations ~
You'll have to look beyond the stores
and all the decorations.*

*But if you take a moment
from your list of things to do
And listen to your heart, you'll find
I'm waiting there for you.*

*You're the one I want to be with,
you're the reason that I came,
And you'll find Me in the stillness
as I'm whispering your name.*

Love, Jesus

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**Praise
the LORD**
from the heavens...

Praise him,
all his angels;
praise him, all his
heavenly hosts.

Psalm 148:1-2, NIV

Bible Quiz

Which of the four Gospels name(s) Bethlehem as the place of Jesus' birth?

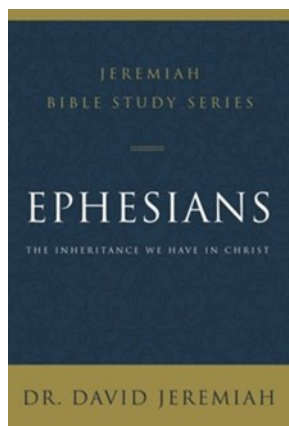
- A. Only Luke
- B. Matthew and Luke
- C. Mark and John
- D. All four



Answer: B (See Matthew 2:1; Luke 2:1-7.)

MACEDONIA BIBLE & BOOK CORNER

Submitted by Sonja Gray



Paul's reminder of our identity in Christ.

Ephesus was located in Asia Minor, a region full of spiritual darkness and the site of a clash taking place between Christianity and pagan religions. However,

the apostle Paul saw an opportunity to advance the kingdom of God. In the letter to the Ephesians, Paul walks the believers through their spiritual inheritance in Christ. This inheritance moves them from death to life and into God's family—something so much better than anything they had in their former lives. Because of this, they need to *"walk worthy of their calling,"* understand and use their spiritual gifts, and put on the armor of God.

The ***Jeremiah Bible Study Series*** captures Dr. David Jeremiah's forty-plus years of commitment to teaching the Word of God. In each study, he will help you understand what the Bible says, what it meant to the people at the time it was written, and what it means to you today. Along the way, you will gain insights into the text, identify key stories and themes, and be challenged to apply truth you find to your life. This book can be purchased on the website www.christianbooks.com.



ECONOMICS OF CHRISTMAS

Submitted by Wendell Smitherman

Between Black Friday and Christmas day, retailers enter a dream world of profits and riches. In 2014, shoppers were expected to spend \$620 billion over the holidays, according to projections from the National Retail Federation, up 4.1% from 2013. Retailers make 25% of their yearly sales and 60% of their profits between Thanksgiving and Christmas. The business of promotion, advertising, decorations, music, and parades also gain financially each Christmas.

Most concerning to the enemies of Black freedom is that he depends on 'minorities' spending the most.

Blacks lead the charge, saying they would spend 17% more than they had the previous year, and both Asian and Hispanics said they plan to spend 13% more than average.

The poorer the household, the more they said they would spend.

Source: Data on Black Economics & Christmas Spending—<https://noirg.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/11/EconomicsofChristmasResearch.pdf>



Invitation to: *Macedonia Baptist Church Sunday School*

Superintendent of Sunday School: *Rev. Ronald Davis*

Pastor: *Reverend Charles D. Twymon*

The Sunday School classes will be conducting lessons via Zoom for the time being. Additionally, we have identified Sunday School teachers that will provide technical support to access the Zoom classes.

If you have questions on adding the Zoom app to your smartphone, tablet, laptop or desktop computer, or need connectivity issues, feel free to contact our team.

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Sister Mary Ann Windham	Juniors, Beginners & Primaries	Phone: 313-418-8830 Email: maryann.windham@yahoo.com

We invite you, your family, friends and neighbors to join our Sunday School Classes, you will be blessed! **All classes are being held onsite and virtually with the exception of the Beginners and Primaries. They are online only. Please note the new Zoom ID and meeting time for the Primaries Class.**

CLASSES	ZOOM ID'S	PASSWORDS	CLASS TIMES
Adult Men and Women	927 219 5591	4Y06SC	9:30-10:30 AM (ET)
Adult Women	801 855 9447	708270	9:30-10:30 AM (ET)
Teens and Young Adults	314 202 2102	503816	9:30-10:30 AM (ET)
Juniors (10-12 yrs.)	775 4028 7203	7DJiT2	10:00-10:40 AM (ET)
Primaries (7-9 yrs.)	830 6987 0617	primary	10:00-10:55 AM (ET)
Beginners (4-6 yrs.)	246 295 5225	5TykPq	10:00-10:40 AM (ET)

The list of lessons for December 2020 includes the following:

Preparation of Jesus' Disciples: Getting Started

Date	Lesson	Scripture
December 6	The Testimony of John	John 1:15-28
December 13	Jesus's First Disciples	John 1:29-42
December 20	The Word Became Flesh (Christmas)	John 1:1-14
December 27	Jesus Calls Philip and Nathanael	John 1:43-51



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"Come over into Macedonia and help us." ACTS 16:9



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Merry
CHRISTMAS!



**New Years Day
January 1, 2021**