

Welcome!
The Lord’s Day, October 23, 2022

9:45 AM Sunday School
10:50 AM Church Family Announcements
11 AM Morning Worship

Organ Prelude

BJ Lyle

Welcome & Prayer

Pastor Paul

Praise Songs

Shout to the North
Thy Word

Congregation

Scripture Reading

2 Thessalonians 2:13- 3:14

Loyd Jones

Ministry of Music

When God’s People Pray

Scott Bradshaw

Pastoral Prayer

Offertory Hymn#691

Surely Goodness and Mercy
Verses 1,2,3

Congregation

Offertory Scripture & Prayer

John 7:37b,38 Jesus said, “Let anyone who is thirsty come to me and drink. Whoever believes in me, as Scripture has said, rivers of living water will flow from within them.”

Offering

Ushers

Doxology

Congregation

Sermon: Standing Strong in the Daily Battle pt. 3

Pastor Paul Harrington

Scriptures: Ephesians 6:10-20; Romans 8:12-15, 8:22-27; 1 Peter 5:8-9; Phil 1:9-11.

From the moment we are born the physical senses overwhelm and drive us- we are humans, made in the image of God yet without Christ we are governed by instinct. Even after we become a Christ that instinct and responding only to the physical can still dominate. To come to realize that this world is not all that exists and that a supernatural invisible war is being waged is something that must be taught. In fact, what is unseen is far greater than what is seen. And we are in the middle of a great war- whether we realize it or not.

What are we warring against?

- The Devil’s Schemes
- Rulers and Spiritual Authorities
- Evil Spiritual Forces in the heavens
- Cosmic powers of this darkness

What are some examples of the Devil’s Schemes?

- Division where God desires Unity
- Distractions from communion with God
- Lies, departure from the truth. confusion, lostness and fear
- Resentment, envy, self-pity, self-will
- He will challenge our Values- “Is the Battle worth it?”
- “Ghosts” from the past
- Pride Many, many others

What is the Armor of God? It is Christ Himself!

Truth Like a Belt. Righteousness like a Breastplate. The Gospel as Sandals. Faith as a Shield.
 Salvation as a Helmet. God’s Word as a Sword.

The Christian is to Be Alert and Pray in the Spirit! Eph 6:18-20

This is the opposite of praying in the flesh or by instinct. It is allowing God through the Holy Spirit to direct your prayer life. This is praying and thinking deeper. Yes, we are to pray for our very apparent and visible physical needs- Jesus tells us to do that, but we are also to pray for spiritual needs-which requires the Spirit's guidance and knowledge. Praying in the Spirit is surrendering our will to the Spirit of God, slowing down in our prayers, and allowing him, through the Word of God and His still, small voice, to guide us.

In fact, in all things we are to be led by the Spirit. In addition, we are to BE ALERT and pray for all the saints!

What are some things that hinder you from being spiritually alert?

God's Standing Orders:

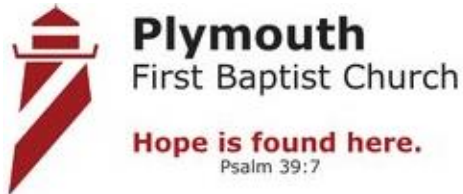
1. Stand Firm in the HIS Strength.
2. Put on HIS Armor every day.
3. Pray in HIS Spirit on all occasions.
4. Stay Alert.

(The Live Facebook Feed concludes at the end of the Sermon.)

Hymn of Invitation#391

Sweet, Sweet, Spirit

Congregation



Rev. Paul T. Harrington, Senior Pastor
Loyd Jones, Associate Pastor
Scott Bradshaw, Music Director
B.J. Lyle, Organist
Danita Davis, Church Office Administrator
Scott Chandler, Deacon of the Month

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