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50+ Sunday Class

All Saints Presbyterian Church Austin, TX

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Because You Asked . . . Your Questions & Topics

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Spring 2024

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March

• Mon, 3/25 – Biblical Art Tour – at St. John Neumann Catholic Church, 5455 Bee Cave Rd, 78746. 10:30 AM Tour of the Church & Dome. Prayer. 12:15 PM Mass. 1:00 PM Lunch nearby.

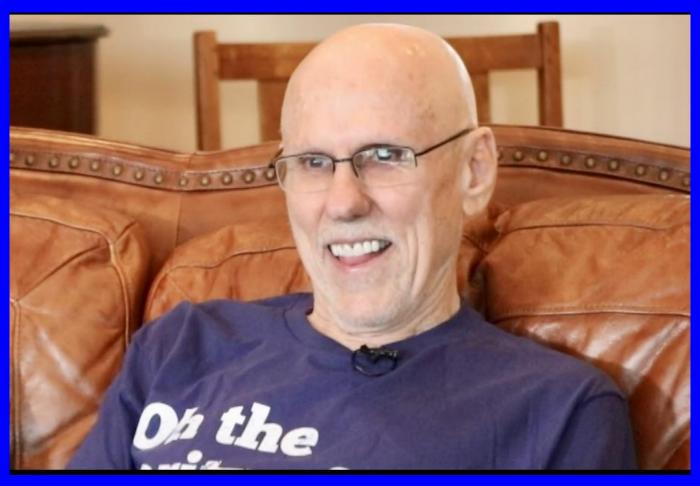
April

• Mon-Tue, 4/22-23 – Annual Retreat – at the *TexasRetreat.com* Guest Speaker: Dr. Craig R. Higgins.

May

• <u>Wed, 5/8</u> – **Bat Boat Cruise** – <u>lonestarriverboat.com</u> @ Congress Ave Bridge. 5 PM dinner. 7-8:45 PM cruise.

HAPPY 21st BIRTHDAY!!!



Isaiah 41:10

Do not fear, for I am with you;
do not be dismayed, for I am your God.
I will strengthen you and help you;
I will uphold you with My righteous right hand.

(NIV)

Greg Logwinuk (d. 2/19/24)



Memorial Service Saturday, 3/9, 11:00 AM at All Saints

Psalm 62

For God alone my soul waits in silence; from him comes my salvation.

² He alone is my rock and my salvation, my fortress; I shall not be greatly shaken. ...

On God rests my salvation and my glory; my mighty rock, my refuge is God.

(:1-2, 7)

ROCK OF AGES

Augustus Toplady (1776)

Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hid myself in Thee. Let the water and the blood, from Thy riven side which flowed Be of sin the double cure; save from its guilt and power.

Not the labors of my hands can fulfill Thy law's demands; Could my zeal no respite know, could my tears forever flow, All for sin could not atone; Thou must save, and Thou alone.

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Nothing in my hand I bring, simply to the cross I cling; Naked, come to Thee for dress; helpless, look to Thee for grace; Foul, I to the fountain fly; wash me, Savior, or I die.

While I draw this fleeting breath, when mine eyes shall close in death, When I soar to worlds unknown, see Thee on Thy judgment throne, Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in Thee.

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"Because You Asked"

- 1/7 *Because You Asked #28* Meaning of the Cross.
- 1/14 Because You Asked #29 Meaning of Theology Terms.
- 1/21 *Because You Asked #30* Theology Terms II. Eucharist I.
- 1/28 *Because You Asked #31* Eucharist Distribution.
- 2/4 *Because You Asked #31* Intertestamental Period.
- 2/11 Guest Teacher Bo White John 1-3 Change Everything
- 2/18 Because You Asked #31a How Israel Got to Today.
- 2/25 *Because You Asked #31b* Samaritans: History & Present
- 3/3 Because You Asked #31c Jews' Views of Messiah
- 3/10 Because You Asked #32 –
- 3/17 *Because You Asked #33*
- 3/24 Because You Asked #34 –
- 3/31 Easter No Class

Because You Asked - 3/3/24

Church History

- —Q31—What happened between the Old and New Testament? (Intertestamental Period—500 BC-4BC)
- —Q31a—How did Israel get where it is today?
- —Q31b—How did the Samaritans come to be? Any today?
- —Q31c—Explain the Jews' view of "Messiah"—then and today.
- —Q32—Define & Distinguish: Coptic; Orthodox (Eastern, Greek, Russian); Roman Catholic; Protestant; Evangelical
- —Q33—Are the following Christian?—Mormon? Jehovah's Witness? Christian Scientist? Scientologist? Unitarian? Deist?

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 :21 we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. ...

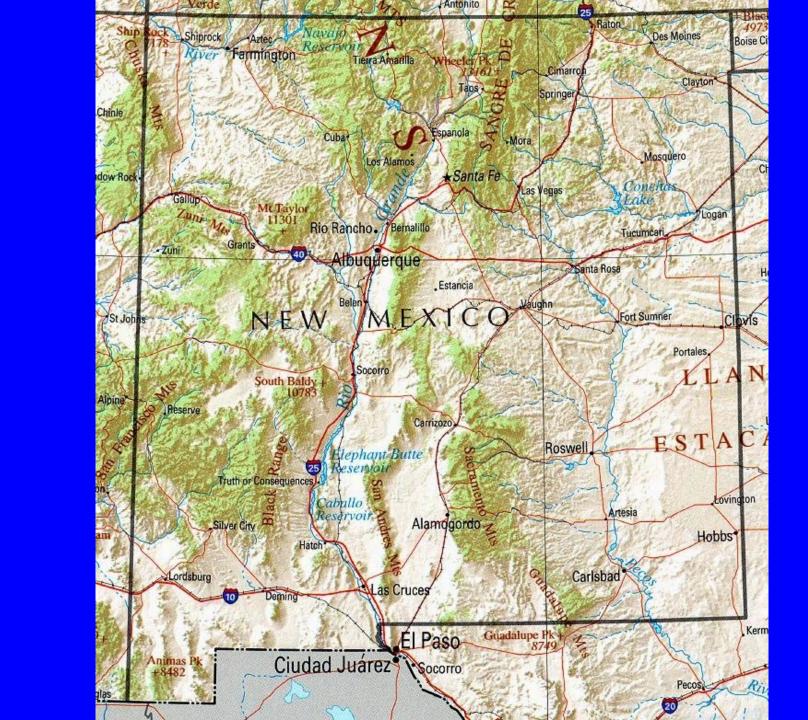
 :25 "O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken! Was it not necessary that the [Messiah]

 Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?" And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets [i.e., Genesis to Malachi], he interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning himself."

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An Illustration: 2 Mountains



Summary

- Messiah (Hebrew: mashiah; Greek: Christos) = anointed one
- Appears directly ~ 50x in the OT, but many times indirectly
- In OT, Messiah is given to 3 different figures of ancient Israel
 - Priest offers sacrifices for sin (Leviticus 4:3, 5, 16, 17)
 - <u>King</u> brings justice & peace in ruling by God's will.
 Historical books (e.g., 2 Sam 7) & royal Psalms (e.g., 2; 110)
 - <u>Prophet</u> anointed by God with the Holy Spirit, not with oil like priests (for the Temple) & kings (for the kingdom) –(exception: Elisha was anointed with oil 1 Kings 19:16)–

- Genesis 3.15 the Seed from a woman will crush the Serpent
- Genesis 49.8-12 ...the scepter shall not depart from Judah...to him shall be the obedience of the peoples. Binding his foal to the vine and his donkey's colt to the choice vine, he has washed his garments in wine and his vesture in the blood of grapes. (Zech 9.9. Mt 21.7)

• Num 24.15-19 – [Balaam's 4th oracle:] ...the vision of the Almighty ...I see him, but not now; I behold him, but not near: a star shall come out of Jacob, and a scepter shall rise out of Israel; it shall crush the forehead of Moab and break down all the sons of Sheth. Edom shall be dispossessed; Seir also....

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- <u>Deuteronomy 18.15-18</u> The Lord your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among you, from the brothers—it is to him you shall listen—just as you desired of the Lord your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly, when you said, 'Let me not hear again the voice of the Lord my God or see this great fire any more, lest I die.'

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- Psalm 72.17 May [the king's] name endure forever ...
- Psalm 110.1-7 The Lord says to my Lord: 'Sit at my right hand, until I make your enemies your footstool.' ... 'You are a priest forever after the order of Melchizedek.' ... [Gen 14.18-23]

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- <u>Isaiah 53</u> **Suffering** Sacrificial Sacred Servant

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- <u>Ezekiel 34.23</u> **Great Shepherd** I will place over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he will tend them; he will tend them and be their shepherd

• <u>Daniel 7.13-14</u> – ... with the clouds of heaven there came one like a **son of man**, and he came to the Ancient of Days and was presented before him. And to him was given dominion and glory and a kingdom, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him; ... an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom one what shall not be destroyed.

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- Daniel 9:25-26—refers to messiah as an end-time savior-king. Written when Israel's rulers sought to impose Greek culture on them (Hellenization), they opposed it and were persecuted. So the Jews turned to a new religious hope—that God would intervene directly by sending an apocalyptic messiah to save Israel, humanity, & the world

Minor prophets show us Messianic prophecies of ...

- Hosea 3:5 Israel's restoration
- Joel 2:28-32 promise of the Holy Spirit
- Micah 4:1-8 establishment of the Kingdom
- Zechariah 2:10-13 the Lamb on the throne
- Zechariah 6:12,13 a heavenly High Priest
- Malachi 4:2,3 the light of the world
 - ... Just a fraction of the OT prophecies proclaiming the Messiah

Gospels – expectation of Messiah comes through clearly ...

- Luke 2 Simeon & Anna understood the importance of Jesus' birth and described Messiah's role
 —"... a light for revelation to the Gentiles" (:32)
- <u>Matthew 2</u> when the Magi arrived, Israel's Biblical scholars told them: *Messiah was to be born…in Bethlehem* (:4-5)
- <u>John 1:20</u> John the Baptist tells the priests & Levites sent from Jerusalem: *I am not the Messiah*
- John 1:41 Andrew to Peter: *We have found the Messiah*

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- John 4:25 Samaritan woman at the well
- John 7:27-31 crowds listening to Jesus didn't argue about
 Messiah's reality, but his place of origin and appropriate signs
- Acts 5:36-39 Gamaliel (Pharisee) refers to a "Messiah fever" at the time by giving examples of 2 others who recently claimed to be Christ, had gathered a following, but couldn't fulfill the prophecies, and so their followers dispersed "if this…is of man, it will fail; but if it is of God, you will not be able to overthrow them. You might even be…opposing God!"

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They worshipped him, but some doubted (Matthew 28.17)

• Romans 11.8, 11—God gave [Israel] a spirit of stupor, eyes that would not see and ears that would not hear, down to this very day. ... [T]hrough [Israel's] trespass salvation has come to the Gentiles, so as to make Israel jealous.

Next Class on 3/10/24

Prayer