

SERMON NOTES:

Series: From The Pastor's Heart | Part 1

NOTE: *There are no fill-in-the-blanks for this week's message.*

Pastor Brian shares a few thoughts on 4 topics:

- 1) A word to our graduates & students in general...
- 2) Addressing the horror that unfolded this past week in Uvalde, TX...
- 3) If you ever wonder what Pastor Brian spends most of his time thinking about...
- 4) Inspiration for this Memorial Day weekend...

A few passages referenced by Pastor Brian:

1 Corinthians 2:9 (NLT)

⁹That is what the Scriptures mean when they say,

“No eye has seen, no ear has heard,
and no mind has imagined
what God has prepared
for those who love him.”

Ephesians 3:20 (NLT)

²⁰Now all glory to God, who is able, through his mighty power at work within us, to accomplish infinitely more than we might ask or think.

Romans 12:1-2 (NLT)

¹ And so, dear brothers and sisters, I plead with you to give your bodies to God because of all he has done for you. Let them be a living and holy sacrifice—the kind he will find acceptable. This is truly the way to worship him. ² Don't copy the behavior and customs of this world, but let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you think. Then you will learn to know God's will for you, which is good and pleasing and perfect.

Ephesians 6:10-12,18 (NLT)

¹⁰A final word: Be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. ¹¹Put on all of God's armor so that you will be able to stand firm against all strategies of the devil. ¹²For we are not fighting against flesh-and-blood enemies, but against evil rulers and authorities of the unseen world, against mighty powers in this dark world, and against evil spirits in the heavenly places.

¹⁸Pray in the Spirit at all times and on every occasion. Stay alert and be persistent in your prayers for all believers everywhere.