ABOVE ALL:

Great Commandment Love Changes Our Worship 1 Samuel 15:1-23; Romans 12:1 Sunday, February 4, 2018 Dr. Paul White, Senior Pastor

And Samuel said, "Has the Lord as great delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices, as in obeying the voice of the Lord?" Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice, and to listen than the fat of rams. For rebellion is as the sin of divination, and presumption is as iniquity and idolatry." (vv. 22-23)

You hypocrites! Well did Isaiah prophesy of you, when he said: "This people honors me with their lips, but their heart is far from me; in vain do they worship me, teaching as doctrines the commandments of men." (Matthew 15:8-9)

And he said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind..." (Jesus in Matthew 22:37)

Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in him, and he in God. So we have come to know and to believe the love that God has for us. God is love, and whoever abides in love abides in God, and God abides in him. By this is love perfected with us, so that we may have confidence for the day of judgment, because as he is so also are we in this world. There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear. For fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not been perfected in love. We love because he first loved us. (1 John 4:15-19)

I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. (Romans 12:1)

If you love me, you will keep my commandments. (Jesus in John 14:15)

Next week in ABOVE ALL: Great Commandment Love Changes Our Relationships (Ephesians 5:1-2)

TRAIN MEMORY VERSE ~ February

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths. Be not wise in your own eyes; fear the Lord, and turn from evil. It will be healing to your flesh and refreshment to your bones." (Proverbs 3:5-8)

TRAIN READING PLAN - Week 2: February 4-10

-Psalm 6: Mark 6

-Psalm 7; Mark 7

-Psalm 8; Mark 8

-Psalm 9; Mark 9

-Psalm 10; Mark 10