

HONORING THE PAST
GENERATIONS
INVITING THE FUTURE

APRIL 28, 2024
8:40 AM WORSHIP

**IT CAN BUY
ME A BOAT**

House of the Lord

Smith/Wickham

Welcome

Savannah Davis & Blaire Krauss

Children's Praise

Preschool Choirs:

Praise Him, Praise Him

Whisper a Prayer

All Choirs:

God Loves Us No Matter What

Blankenship

1st - 5th Grade Choirs:

An Answer to Prayer

Burrows

Morning Prayer

Olivia Guenther

Prepare for the Offering

Georgia Guenther

Song for the Offering

Firm Foundation (He Won't)

Davis/Moore/Carnes

Video: Testimony from Pam & Jay Griffith

Sermon

Generations: It Can Buy Me a Boat

Blake Bengé

Song of Response

I'd Rather Have Jesus

Miller/Blankenship

Recognition of Decisions

Blake Bengé

Next Steps & Benediction

Carlie Flowers

Postlude

God Almighty Fight This Battle

INVITATION TO RESPOND

- Comment on Facebook
- Share this worship service on your social media
- Email a decision or prayer request to info@snydermbc.com
- As comfort and common sense allows, reach out to your next door neighbors. Be a neighbor. Share and show Christ.

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SCAN ME

TAKE IT WITH YOU

Jesus, give me what I want.

The first line in this parable has a man making this request...or rather a demand of Jesus. As Luke relays the story, the man approaches Jesus and wants Him to make his brother divide the inheritance with him. Now, Luke doesn't give us any other details, but we can assume that the man who is speaking is likely the younger brother. According to Jewish customs at the time, the bulk of a father's property would pass to the eldest son. It's safe to assume that the eldest son had the choice of what to do with that estate; he could divide it with his brothers or keep it for himself. Clearly, that is what the brother of the speaker in verse 13 was going to do: keep the estate for himself. The younger brother was unhappy with that and wanted Jesus to command him to comply with the younger brother's wishes. Jesus, in true Jesus fashion, said "that's not what I'm here for" and proceeded to teach everyone a lesson, not about equitable division of inheritance or accepting one's lot in life according to societal customs, but about placing too much importance on earthly treasures and acquiring wealth.

I don't know about you, but I bet I'm not the only one who has acted more like that younger brother in the story than I'd like to admit. All too often, my prayers sound a little like I am telling Jesus how I would like things to work out, rather than asking Him to make His will be done in my life. I carefully lay out my case for why I am right and someone else is wrong, rather than asking the Holy Spirit to reveal to me how I can "act justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with my God". I pray for retribution, not reconciliation; for revenge, not justice. I ask for an easy path, not for God's presence and provision, whatever the path may bring. I want a quick answer, rather than waiting, trusting in God, who has promised and proved over and over that He is faithful.

I am not implying that it is wrong for us to ask God for the desires of our heart. That is our invitation, to lay all our cares before Him. The key is to do so with a humble heart and a contrite spirit; recognizing that He is God and we are not, that He knows what is best for us in a way we could not possibly know. We must take care to think of our prayers, not as demands of a powerful person, but petitions to an all-mighty God who created us, who loves us, and is working all things together for our good, according to His purpose.

~ Katie Herring

LUKE 12:13-21

¹³ Someone in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me." ¹⁴ But he said to him, "Man, who made me a judge or arbitrator over you?" ¹⁵ And he said to them, "Take care, and be on your guard against all covetousness, for one's life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions." ¹⁶ And he told them a parable, saying, "The land of a rich man produced plentifully, ¹⁷ and he thought to himself, 'What shall I do, for I have nowhere to store my crops?'" ¹⁸ And he said, 'I will do this: I will tear down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods.' ¹⁹ And I will say to my soul, "Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.'" ²⁰ But God said to him, "Fool! This night your soul is required of you, and the things you have prepared, whose will they be?" ²¹ So is the one who lays up treasure for himself and is not rich toward God."

Resource:

True Riches: What Jesus Really Said About Money and Your Heart.

- John Cortines & Gregory Baumer

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SNYDER SPRING CONCERT - CREATION SINGS: Come for an afternoon of beautiful and inspiring music presented by Snyder's Sanctuary Choir and Orchestra. Join us at 4:30pm today in the Sanctuary as we combine voices and instruments with Creation and to bring praises to our Creator.

SNYDERKIDS - PEDAL FOR PURPOSE RESCHEDULED: Our children will be pedaling to raise money to support Fayetteville Area Operation InAsMuch on Sunday, April 28, beginning at 3pm in the Fellowship Hall parking lot. Let's support our kids' effort to help our community!

PROVIDE FOOD AND POINT CHILDREN TO JESUS: We are collecting food/cleaning items during the month of April to support Baptist Children's Homes. Check out the list of most needed items in *The Bell*. The collection box is in the Gathering Hall by the staircase. Gift cards can be brought by the Church Office to be given to Susie Reeder.

GENERATIONS' ADVANCED COMMITMENT NIGHT: Join us on Friday, May 3, at 6:30pm in the Sanctuary. RSVP by calling the Church Office or by going online to www.snydermbc.com/generosity.

PARENT & CHILD DEDICATION - SUNDAY, MAY 12, IN BOTH SERVICES: To register or for more information go to www.snydermbc.com/kids and click on "Parent Resources".

GOLF OUTING AT CYPRESS LAKES GOLF COURSE - MAY 28: Sign up by calling George Holden at (910) 977-4626. Sign in at 9am and Tee off at 10am. Cost: \$30. Sign up deadline - Tuesday, May 21.

SNYDER YOUTH (6TH - 12TH GRADES) - CROWDERS RIDGE SUMMER CAMP: Registration is open! For more info visit www.snyder youth.com/events.

START THE PARTY! - VBS 2024: The plans are already being made for this year's VBS! It will be held from June 24 - 28 from 9am - 12pm. To register or volunteer go to www.snydermbc.com/vbs.

LOOKING AHEAD:

April 28	Children's Sunday (8:40 Service)
April 28	Pedal for Purpose at 3pm
April 28	Spring Concert at 4:30pm

May 3	Generations' Advanced Commitment Night at 6:30pm
May 5	College Graduate Recognition
May 5	Steps of Faith Worship at 5pm
May 12	Parent & Child Dedication in both services
May 12	Generations' Commitment Sunday
May 19	High School Graduate Recognition Service
May 29	Church Office Closed
May 31-Jun. 1	Father - Son Campout

HOW TO GIVE TO SNYDER MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH

Cash or Check

- by mail or dropping off to Finance Office
- Automated Bank Draft on the 5th or 20th of the month - contact Finance Office to acquire forms for draft set up

Online (computer, mobile phone, tablet)

- Go to www.snydermbc.com; select "Giving & Tithing | Online" from the menu; enter the information (if you are already in our database, you can login; otherwise you can continue as guest)

or

- download the "Church Life" app to your mobile phone (you must already have a username and password for AccessACS - see below - in order to use this app). There is a link on the app to give, and it will take you to AccessACS; follow the instructions

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