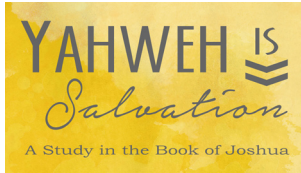


Today's Passage



Pastor Tony will be continuing in the Book of Joshua.
Our passage for today is Joshua 21:1-42.

Sermon Notes



New Life Christian Community

"Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come." 2 Cor 5:17

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ministry highlight

In the mid 1400's the world was completely transformed by one machine. It was the introduction of the printing press that ultimately changed the way the world would transfer stories and information from one home or generation to another.

It revolutionized the ease at which one could print an article or a piece of information and then easily (as compared to the painstaking physical copying done by scribes) print hundreds of copies in a relatively short amount of time. The Gutenberg press allowed, most importantly, God's word to be distributed to the masses. By God's grace, Scripture could be read in the flickering candle light of the simplest homes.

But it was not just the Word of God that spread through the printing press. There were scores of Biblical commentaries and expositions of the Word were carried into people's homes upon the literal ox-cart of the printing press.

As goes the world, so too the printing press simultaneously facilitated many unsavory writings of which Paul could rightly characterize as "of the world."

There is nothing new under the sun.

Though there was no Johannes Gutenberg we can credit with the introduction of the internet (Johannes Internet doesn't have the same ring), the world is nevertheless, privileged with a similar change (though I would argue not to the scale Gutenberg's machine changed the world) in the way we communicate with one another.

The internet allows us to communicate with one another at a dizzying speed. Just as the printing press allowed for unsavory writings, so too (and arguably to a greater degree) does the internet. As we survey the internet we must be careful not to cause a brother to stumble. Yet, we must proclaim that not all is lost. One could characterize the internet as a modern day "food sacrificed to an idol" (see 1 Corinthians 8).

Care must be taken in its consumption.

As followers of Jesus Christ we can use this as a tool - like Gutenberg might have intended - to spread the knowledge of God everywhere. The internet's most important function is that it allows for the swift communication of God's Word. With care and direction, it can enable the student of the Word to understand Scriptural passages that once were viewed as only hand-written scribbles on a piece of proverbial parchment paper.

With all this in mind, here is what this ministry highlight is all about...

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- First-time Visitor
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To download sermons for **free**, go to newlifechristiancommunity.com

For a CD or DVD (\$2 charge), please fill out the form below and drop it in the wooden offering box near the back of the room.

Your order will be available for pick up at the video booth the following week.

Name

Sermon Date

Scripture Passage

Prayer Card

If you are in need of prayer or would like to share a praise report, please share it below and drop it in the wooden offering box near the back of the room.

Please check a box below

- This may be added to our congregation prayer wall.
- Share this only with the pastors and elders.

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If you would like someone to pray with you today, you may come to the front immediately following the service.

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pastoral ponderings cont.

Have you utilized the ministry of the New Life website lately? If not, let me introduce you. newlifechristiancommunity.org (yes, that is also the name of our congregation) is our website.

Since I spent so much time luring you into this article with discussion over the printing press (every word was written with a smile on my face – I love the printed word), I don't have the space to give you a proper tour of our website – which, admittedly, was my original goal.

Now my goal is to simply cause a creeping (not *creepy*) curiosity (note the alliteration). The next time you are online – spend some time familiarizing yourself with our website.

You might ask, what's in New Life's constitution? Don't worry, we don't need to fire up the old Gutenberg press – rather, it's just a click away.

Perhaps you are wondering what New Life believes about the creation account in Genesis chapter 1. You could go online and sift through our sermon archives and find the sermon that covers that section of scripture. Get comfortable, our Genesis sermons series was 68 sermons long.

Perhaps you are hankering for an ear-full of a conversation between pastor Chandler and me (Pastor Tony). If that's the case – jump onto our website and listen to our latest podcast. We record a 15 minute (we use the phrase "15 minutes" loosely) discussion wherein we discuss some of the events of the week and an important theological question.

Perhaps you are wondering, what is happening tonight at New Life? The website has the answer. And if we don't list the answer on the home screen, download the directory and start calling New Life people until you get invited over to someone's home. Then, you'll have your answer.

Seriously though, let's use the online resources that God has gifted us with.

May He continue to build His church – a family for His own possession.

Blessings, *pastor tony*

March Memory Verse

Hebrews 1:1-2

"Long ago, at many times and in many ways, God spoke to our fathers by the prophets, 2 but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed the heir of all things, through whom also he created the world."

upcoming [events]

- Mar. 9 Afternoon GriefShare Mtg.,
12:30 – 2:30 p.m.,
Green Room @ NLCC
- Mar. 9 Immerse, 6:30 pm
@ the building
- Mar. 10 *Men's Bible Study, Book of Acts*, 6:30 a.m. @ the building
- Mar. 10 Women's Bible Study,
Book of Hebrews,
9:30 am @ the building
- Mar. 10 Evening GriefShare Mtg.,
6:30-8 pm
@ (green room, the building)

meal [teams]

- March 6 All Church Potluck
- March 13 Meal Team #2
- March 20 Meal Team #3
- March 27 Easter - All Church Potluck
before Service
- April 3 All Church Potluck (Meal
Team 4 helping with
serving and cleanup)
- April 10 Meal Team #5

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Find Links to:
• Events • Sermons Online
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FMSC "Envelope" fund raiser. Please prayerfully consider taking one or more envelopes located in the entry way of the building to contribute to this worthy event to help New Life meet their offering. Once you choose your envelope, PLEASE make your check out to FMSC and return it in the offering box, or to Pam Stratmoen.

'The Pack.' Sign-up sheets located in the entry way of the building. 'The Pack' will be held on Friday April 1st.

"Drawn in the Word." Hope Evangelical Free Church is hosting a "Drawn in the Word" TODAY at 3:00 pm, with all funds going to FMSC.



TEENS—register now for CYIA! Registration submitted before

March 15 qualifies for \$50 early-bird discount, and all registration closes March 31st. So don't delay! See Erika Rice for info and details.

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