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**From the Pastor
Jeremy Tennery
"Happy New Year"**



Hello Friends,

I pray that everyone is having a wonderful 2023 so far. As we begin February, the month we celebrate Valentine's Day, it is important to consider those we love and celebrate at Valentine's.

This includes our spouses or significant others, our family members, friends, and those with whom we are closest. Let's do this every day, all year long, but Valentine's day is a special reminder.

Just a little fun fact, it is estimated that in 2022 23.9 billion dollars was spent on loved ones on Valentine's Day, and this number includes presents for our pets. Yes, pets. That is a lot of money, and I'm not saying anything is wrong with spending money to show someone or a pet you love them. The loved ones in our lives are worth it.

This month I also encourage you to celebrate the love of our Heavenly Father, Jesus Christ. It is a love that stretches over our sins. A love that gives us mercy and grace. It is a love that sacrificed everything for us, "But God shows his love for us, because while we were still sinners Christ died for us." (Romans 5:8). The love of Jesus cannot be taken from us by anyone or anything. "I'm convinced that nothing can separate us from God's love in Christ Jesus our Lord: not death or life, not angels or rulers, not present things or future things, not powers or height or depth, or any other thing that is created." (Romans 8:38-39)

The love of a spouse, significant other, children, and friends are wonderful; we are all blessed to have those in our lives who love us and to whom we can show love.

But always keep sight of the fact that the love of any human pales in comparison to the love of Jesus Christ.

A love He proves time and time again.

In His love!

Pastor Jeremy

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Bible Verse of the Month

Isaiah 55:8 (HCSB)

"For My thoughts are not your thoughts, and your ways are not My ways." [This is] the LORD's declaration.

True or False

1. Angels sleep.
2. Angels are called the god of this age.
3. The angels will bring peace among men on earth when Christ returns.
4. God Himself, will separate the wicked from among the just at the end of the age.
5. The angels will gather the elect from the four winds, from the farthest part of earth to the farthest part of heaven.

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Birthdays, Anniversaries
Amanda Tennery Feb 4th
Amber Cook Feb 7th
James Cousins 21st
Emmett & Sylvia Williams Feb 6th 53 yrs

VALENTINE'S DAY TRIVIA



- Cupid Actually Started Out As A Greek God. The common symbol for love – Cupid with his cherubic looks and angel wings – was originally the Greek god, Eros. Eros was the son of Aphrodite, the goddess of love and procreation.
- The popular Valentine's Day candy, candy hearts, started out as medical lozenges for the throat! Boston-based pharmacist Oliver Chase invented the machine that produced small medical lozenges. When he saw the popularity of these small pop-in medicines, he turned them into candy with cute messages on them.
- Alexander Graham Bell's Applied For A Patent For The Telephone On Valentine's Day
- Penicillin, the world's first antibiotic and one of the greatest scientific discoveries, was introduced to the world on Valentine's Day.
- There Is A Sad Reason Behind Giving Chocolates On Valentine's Day. Physicians in the old days would recommend chocolate to people who were suffering from a broken heart or pining after a lost love. Ouch!
- Valentine's Day Was Declared By The Pope. Pope Gelasius declared the Valentine's Day holiday around 498 A.D.
- Chocolates Vs. Flowers? Chocolates Always Win. It has been noted that between chocolates and flowers, people tend to buy more chocolates for Valentine's Day. Chocolate sales on this day are 75% higher than flower sales.

Dr. B.L. Worsham, Th.D.

February! Month of Love!



What exactly does it mean? The Greek dialect has a name for each expression and feeling of "Love". Four words defining four kinds of love.

The feeling called, "**Storge**"- **family love!**" The bond between mother and child; brother and sister. Storge describes love within the family unit.

The feeling called "**Eros**" - The feeling between husband and wife! Describing romance and sexual attraction. The natural bonding God has sanctioned within the marriage relationship.

The feeling called "**Philia**" - This describes long-term, lasting friendship. Those who trust one another completely, "closer than a brother".

The feeling called "**Agape**" - This is a completely unique love! It will endure: insult, injury, rudeness, neglect, and keep on loving just the same. This is the love that Jesus extends to us – the love He expects from us!

How can we think about this? We do not expect to love the one who spitefully uses us in the same way that we love our family. But we can rise above hatred and wish no harm for them! We can pray as Jesus did: "Father forgive them--" (Luke 23:34). Let their sin remain between themselves and God! Jesus said, "I will repay" (Romans 12:19). The Bible says, "Fret not yourself -- a little while and the wicked shall not be--you shall diligently consider, and it shall not be--" (Psalms 37:8-10).

Anger will change your life, your looks, and actions! "**God is Love**". Pray for your enemies, and you will - become more like Jesus! - God Bless You,



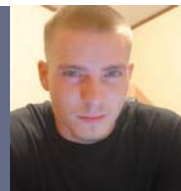
BIBLE TRIVIA

(Answers on page 4)

1. Who watched as Moses floated in the basket down the Nile?
2. In the book of Philemon, who is Paul's fellow prisoner?
3. James used the example of which Old Testament figure to demonstrate how the prayers of a righteous man can have powerful results?
4. How does the author of 1 John often refer to his readers?
5. What does Solomon say about sin?
6. Who pretended to be mad to avoid capture and death at the hands of an enemy king?
7. Who was the grandson of Samuel?
8. Who was the priest of Bethel during the time of Amos?

Remembrances

Bobby Worsham - Pamela Parker's Dad Jan 31th
Ryan Griffin - Amber Cooks Brother Feb 25th - 4th year in passing



"Bring the full 10 percent into the storehouse so that there may be food in My house. Test Me in this way", says the Lord of Hosts. "See if I will not open the floodgates of heaven and pour out a blessing for you without measure" - Malachi 3:10

February Recipes

Old Fashioned Beef Stew - My Grandmother's Recipe

Ingredients:

- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 2 pounds cubed beef stew meat
- 2 tablespoons all-purpose flour
- 4 cups water
- 2 cups beef broth
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon ground black pepper
- 4 cups cubed potatoes
- 2 cups chopped carrots
- 1 teaspoons dried rosemary
- 1 cup fresh corn kernels
- 1 cup fresh green beans, cut into 1 inch pieces
- 1 cup chopped turnip (optional)
- 2 cups chopped fresh tomatoes (optional)



Directions:

- Heat oil in large pot. Add beef and flour, stirring to coat beef; brown.
- Add water, broth, salt, and pepper. Heat to boiling; reduce heat, and simmer 1 hour.
- Stir in potatoes, carrots (or turnips), and rosemary. Simmer 1-2 hours.
- Add corn, green beans, and simmer for 30 minutes longer.

Buttermilk Oven Fried Chicken

Ingredients:

- 1 Chicken- cut up
- 3 cups all-purpose flour
- 2 teaspoons garlic pepper
- 1 teaspoon sugar
- 2 teaspoons paprika
- 1 cup buttermilk
- 2 eggs
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- 3/4 teaspoon baking soda
- Olive oil



Directions:

- Preheat Oven 350 degrees.
- In a baking pan, whisk together flour, garlic pepper, sugar and paprika.
- In a medium size bowl, whisk together buttermilk, eggs, baking powder and baking soda until smooth.
- Dip each piece of chicken into buttermilk mixture, shaking off excess.
- Roll in flour mixture and then dip into buttermilk and flour mixture a second time.
- Place in baking pan and drizzle with olive oil.
- Bake about 50-55 minutes or until chicken is golden.

Gandma's Country White Bread

Ingredients:

- 2 large eggs
- 2 Cups - All-purpose flour.
- 1 Cup - Canola oil
- 1 Cup - Regular White sugar
- 1 Cup - Nuts or raisins (optional)
- 1/3 Cup - Whole milk
- 2 Tbsp - Cinnamon powder.
- 1 & 1/2 Tsp - Vanilla extract.
- 1/2 Tsp - Kosher salt
- 1/2 Tsp - Baking powder.
- 1/2 Tsp - Baking soda.



Directions:

- Mix the ingredients in two large bowls, one for the wet and the other for dry ingredients.
- Combine them together and let the rest for 30 mins.
- Grease a pair of large loaf pans.
- In a small bowl, mixed 1/2 cup of white sugar and 1/2 teaspoon of cinnamon powder. Sprinkled in the greased pans.
- Pour the dough into the loaf pans and sprinkle the top with the remaining of the sugar & cinnamon combination.
- I baked for 50 to 60 minutes checking the doneness by inserting a toothpick in the center of the loaves which should come out dry

Pioneer Woman's Cowboy Quiche

Ingredients:

- 1 unbaked pie crust
- 2 yellow onions, thinly sliced
- 2 tablespoons butter
- 8 slices bacon
- 8 large eggs
- 1 1/2 cups heavy cream or half and half
- Kosher salt and freshly ground black pepper, to taste
- 2 cups sharp cheddar cheese, grated



Directions:

- Preheat oven to 400°F.
- In a large skillet over medium-low heat, melt butter and then fry onions until deep golden brown, stirring occasionally. This will take at least 15-20 minutes. Set aside to cool.
- Cook bacon until chewy but not too crispy. Chop into bite-sized pieces and set aside.
- Roll out pie crust into pie pan.
- In a large bowl, whip the eggs, cream, salt, and pepper, then add onions, bacon, and cheese, and stir to combine.
- Pour filling into pie crust and cover lightly with foil. Place on a rimmed baking sheet and bake 45 minutes.
- Remove foil and let bake until golden brown, 10-15 more minutes.
- Let sit 10-15 minutes before serving. Slice, serve, and enjoy!

Mason Jar Ice Cream

Ingredients:

- 1 each 16oz Mason Jar with lid
- Pinch of Salt
- 1 & 1/2 Tsp Vanilla Extract
- 1 & 1/2 Tbsp Sugar
- 1 Cup of Heavy Cream

Directions:

- Shake for 5 minutes and then freeze for 3 hours

We are always on the lookout for awesome recipes for our newsletters. If you have a favorite comfort food recipe you would like to share, we invite you to send them to us by email to bparker@stonecreekfellowship.org or you can give a copy to either Emmett Williams or Bill Parker and we will add them to the list for future newsletters.

ARTICLE ON "THE CHOSEN"

The Chosen (www.watch.angelstudios.com) is an American religious historical drama television series created, directed and co-written by American filmmaker Dallas Jenkins. It is the first multi-season series about the life and ministry of Jesus of Nazareth. Primarily set in Judaea and Galilee in 1st century, the series revolves around Jesus and the different people who met and followed him. The series stars Jonathan Roumie as Jesus, alongside Shahar Isaac, Elizabeth Tabish, Paras Patel, Noah James, and George H. Xanthis.



The first season is set in 1st century Galilee, where Jesus starts to build a group for his ministry, inviting several people with different backgrounds. As he performs his first miracles, Jesus calls the redeemed woman Mary Magdalene, the stonemason Thaddeus, the choir member Little James, the fishermen Simon, Andrew, Big James, and John, the caterer Thomas and the vintner Ramah, and the tax collector Matthew to be his disciples. Jesus also meets with Nicodemus, a Pharisee who is perplexed by the acts of Jesus. The seasons culminates with the group traveling through Samaria, where, after revealing himself to Photina, a Samaritan woman, Jesus publicly launches his ministry.



The second season begins in Samaria and moves into nearby regions, like Syria and Judea, where Jesus continues to build his group of disciples. As he continues to perform miracles whilst preparing for an important sermon, Jesus additionally calls John the Baptizer's disciple Philip, the architect Nathanael, and the Zealot Simon Z. to be his disciples. As word of his public ministry begins to grow, Jesus encounters both opportunities and difficulties, concluding with the preparations for and the beginning of his Sermon on the Mount, subsequent to the arrest of John the Baptizer and alongside the introduction of the business apprentice Judas Iscariot who later becomes the twelfth apostle.

The third season centers on the disciples continuing to struggle while following Jesus as the group returns to Capernaum, with the increasing popularity of Jesus troubling different societal and political groups, including the Romans and the Pharisees. After taking a break in ministry following the Sermon on the Mount and as Jesus returns to his hometown that causes a shift in his ministry, he sends his twelve apostles, two by two, to preach and perform miracles without him, leading to the disciples facing their biggest challenge yet.



This television series is available free to watch on many streaming and broadcast sources including the Angel Studios website, the Angel App available on Apple App Store, Google Play, Peacock, Roku, Plex, and many other platforms. It is also available on DVD from Walmart, Target and other retailers. Google "The Chosen" to find how you can watch for free.

According to an analysis commissioned by the producers, 108 million people have seen at least part of the show, as of 2022. Translation into as many as 600 languages is being funded by the Come and See Foundation.

Your choice to pay it forward funds future seasons and keeps The Chosen free around the world. Our goal? To introduce an authentic Jesus to 1 billion people. This requires impossible math and new thinking, so we're inspired by Isaiah 43:19, "Behold, I am doing a new thing."

\$100 million for production of our next five seasons. One billion people, including every country in the world, in at least 100 languages. Totally free, totally outside the Hollywood system. Visit the Angel Studios website at <https://watch.angelstudios.com/thechosen/pif> so donate and support this awesome ministry.

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Sunday

Sunday School 9:30 AM

Sunday Worship 11:00 AM

Children's Church 11:00 AM

Tuesday

Praise Team Practice 5:30 PM

Trivia Answers:

1. His sister Miriam Exodus 2:4
2. Epaphras Philemon 1:23
3. Elijah James 5:13-18
4. Children! John 1
5. That no one does not sin Ecclesiastes 7:20
6. David 1 Samuel 21:13
7. Heman 1 Chronicles 6:33
8. Amaziah Amos 7:10

True/False Answers:

1. False—Revelation 4:8
2. True—Job 2:1
3. True—2 Corinthians 4:4
4. False—2 Thessalonians 1:7
5. False—Matthew 13:49