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INSIDE THE WORLD OF THE WORD NERD



PASTOR KEN DUKE

IN THE PAST, I HAVE ON several occasions been referred by the term “Word Nerd”. I appreciate this so much, for I have found over my years as a Christian that the Word of God is exactly as proclaimed by the Apostle Paul to his disciple in 2 Timothy 3:16-17; *“All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work.”* (NKJV)

With this small example of Bible Study using elements of the Descriptive Method of Biblical Study, along with the amazing resource of the *Strong’s Biblical Dictionary*; we will be looking deeper into His Word and its powerful



SUNDAY MORNING SHENANIGANS WITH SAM, KAYLEE, ANDY, CAROLYN & JOE

meaning for our lives. We will be using the most quoted Scripture of the New Testament: John 3:16. Let’s have some fun!

“For God so loved” - Almighty God assigned a Reason and a Purpose for His work in all of creation based on His *agapao* (Greek

word for love). A benevolent, charitable, passionate, and gracious act of acceptance and openness toward all, for He loves us dearly and deeply.

“The world” - the Greek word is *kosmos*; the complete, harmonious adornment in all of creation, pointing out the universe and



TRIBE LOVES THE FOOSBALL TABLE

beyond; which also includes all of humanity, not just a select few. He did this to declare His purpose so His love could be seen, felt, and realized by all humanity, with Jesus as a model. Then we see the truth spoken by the Apostle Peter in 1 Peter 3:4 (NLT) *“You should clothe yourselves instead with the beauty that comes from within, the unfading beauty of a gentle and quiet spirit, which is so precious to God.”* For we are to be “His

witnesses” to the world.

“That He gave” –

The Lord “gave” Himself of who He is, by being available to all who desired to receive from Him. It is a free gift, you can do nothing to deserve or accomplish it.

“His only begotten Son” –

“Begotten” in Greek is the word *monogenance* – meaning only one of one’s own kind. In the Greek language it is used for

the relationship of son or daughter being one of a kind, there is no other, and there is no other like them. We are all *monogenance*, unique and different, even identical twins have variances with extremely very few exceptions.

“That whosoever” –

“Whosoever” in Greek is *pas*; which means all of humanity, everyone, no one is left out of His offering; available freely and completely. Yet there is

one aspect we must accept to be able to receive such an incredible gift, and it is stated in the next three words of this Scripture:

“Believes in Him” -

this word *pisteuo* means the freewill entrustment and conviction that what He offers to us is the Truth and Life. We must open our hearts and minds to be fully committed to placing our complete confidence in Him.



ABOVE: ADAM TOOK SAM ON A RIDE ALONG
BELOW: NOLAN WITH THE COQUILLE FIRE DEPARTMENT

“Should not perish” -

this phrase goes far beyond merely death as we understand in its modern times. In the Greek, it is the word *apollymi*. Which means literally and figuratively an action of total destruction, abolishment, and ruin. It is a final action of being given over to eternal loss. Yet the promise of belief in the Lord Jesus Christ is found in the next two words of this Scripture.

“But have everlasting” –

this word *aionios* speaks of without beginning or end, that which has always been and always will be. The grand concept this word helps us understand that we will be joining Him who has no beginning and no end and will always be with Him forevermore.

“Life” –

this word *zoe* means to be

of absolute fullness, both ethically and essentially, of all things related to the Lord God Almighty; a genuine and authentic fullness of existence which cannot be found this side of heaven. There is no True Life outside of our committed relationship with the Lord, Jesus Christ.

My heart and spirit hopes and desires that by showing you the depths of what our Lord Jesus spoke to His disciples (and in turn to us today) is found in the expanded study of this one single verse. May the Love, Grace, and Peace of our Lord be with you knowing and realizing His everlasting love, grace, and mercy is found in only one place; by our faith, hope, love, and trust in the Lord Jesus Christ that He truly means exactly what He says. ■

APRIL

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3 TRIBE Churches That Heal Begins	4 Celebrate Recovery	5	6 Ladies Book Club
7 Church	8	9 Mens' Bible Study	10 TRIBE	11 Celebrate Recovery	12	13
14 Church	15	16 Mens' Bible Study	17 TRIBE	18 Celebrate Recovery	19 Game Night	20
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28 Church	29	30 Mens' Bible Study				

Save the Date! Family Camp: June 19 - 23

Churches That Heal: New 7-week class! Wednesday Evenings from 6:30-8:30 PM in the Sanctuary, starting April 3. (See page 17).

For more details, see Pastor Kaylee Hanks.

Ladies Book Club: Saturday, April 6, 11 AM at Kaffe 101 in Coos Bay. We are reading *Beautiful Resistance: The Joy of Conviction in a Culture of Compromise* by Jon Tyson.

For more details, see Kimberly Moore.

Game Night: Friday, April 19, 6 PM in the Sanctuary. Ages 12+. Bring a game, bring a snack, bring a friend!

For more details, see Pastor Kaylee Hanks.

Church Service: Every Sunday Morning at 10:30 AM in the Sanctuary.

Mens' Bible Study: Every Tuesday Morning at 6:30 AM in the Sanctuary.

For more details, see Pastor Sam Flaherty.

TRIBE: Jr. High and High School Group, every Wednesday Evening from 6:30 - 8:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall.

For more details, see Pastor Victoria Flaherty.

Celebrate Recovery: Every Thursday Evening at 6:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall.

For more details, see Bill Howell.

WORSHIP NIGHT WITH JOSHUA AARON

MAY 26, 2024, 6:30 PM, \$20
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PASTOR SAM FLAHERTY

I FIRST MET JOSHUA AARON via YouTube. I had run across his worship videos while leading tours in Israel. I loved all of his original music which blended Hebrew and English. His videos are high quality with scenes from all over Israel. His videos were perfect for pre-tour meetings.

In 2017 I had planned an Israel tour and began communicating with Joshua Aaron. I knew that he lived near the Sea of Galilee area and was hoping we could connect.

He did more than that! Joshua Aaron showed up one evening at our hotel and we sang worship songs together on the shore of the Sea of Galilee. He is such a kind, creative lover of God, family, his country and the nations of the world. His music today reaches millions and he is touring all over the world.

We are beyond thrilled to be having Joshua Aaron for a worship concert. Coquille will be his first Oregon appearance. If you ask me what is my

favorite song of his, it would be “Hoshiana.” It is one of his older songs. Hoshiana means “Save Please” in Hebrew. It is a cry for salvation for Israel and the nations. There is only one who saves, Yeshua (Jesus). Check out the lyrics:
The Lord is my light and my salvation, whom shall I fear? The Lord is the strength of my life, whom shall I be afraid? Hoshiana, hoshiana, hoshiana we will sing of Your salvation Hoshiana, hoshiana, hoshiana we cry out for Your salvation No



JOSHUA AARON WITH HIS FAMILY. HIS OLDEST DAUGHTER SERVES IN THE ISRAELI DEFENSE FORCES.

other name by which we are saved but the Name of the Lord Oh that the world will know Your Name...

That the nations will call on the Name of the Lord The Name of Yeshua (Jesus) Hoshiana, hoshiana, hoshiana we will sing of Your salvation Hoshiana, hoshiana, hoshiana we cry out for Your salvation

Search Joshua Aaron Hoshiana on YouTube to hear the song. ■

SING A NEW SONG



DEBBIE PIBURN

LET HOPE ARISE

[Verse 1]

In my weakness, You're my strength
You make me fearless, You break the fear
You pull me out of the miry clay
You make and mold me for such a day

Hey, hey!

[Chorus]

Let hope arise, Let hope arise, Let hope arise
This day in Jesus' holy Name

[Verse 2]

When the battle's at my door
Through the chaos, You restore
There's no other name I'll praise
Than my Jesus who made a way
Yes, my Jesus, You make a way

[Bridge]

There is hope in the waking, hope in the sleeping
There is hope in the laughter, hope in the grieving
There is hope on the mountain, hope in the valley
There is hope in my Jesus, hope everlasting

THIS IS A SONG THE LORD gave me a few months back. I was driving to work. I was praying and singing and soon the words "Let Hope Arise, let Hope arise, let Hope arisethis day in Jesus' Holy name!!! I remember I was declaring it! I was declaring it for me, but I was also declaring it over my family, friends, my church, and the people I saw in the cars and walking on the road. I felt like the Lord wanted me to focus on His Hope. Soon, more words came and before you knew it, there was a song. A song declaring His wonderful HOPE.

1. Jeremiah 29:11

*For I know the plans that I have for you, declares the Lord, plans for welfare and not evil, to give you a future and a **hope**.*

2. Romans 15:13

*May the God of **hope** fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit, you may abound in **hope**.*

3. Psalms 71:14

*As for me, I will always have **hope**, I will praise You more and more. ■*

HOW'S YOUR LIGHT?



JENINE ANGÉRS

AS YOU ARE DRIVING EAST on Highway 38 out of Reedsport, there are visual remnants of what used to be an active weigh station. You can see the turn out from the road and a non-functional light pole. The building and the scales are no longer there.

On a trip with Mike I noticed this once active scene and how it now stood abandoned. What struck me about this scene is that you can see the pole and the light cover, yet you can also see that someone purposefully disconnected the power source, and what remains is just that dingy, gray cover to represent the light that shined upon that scene long, long ago.



PASTOR SAM & PASTOR TIM: TWINSIES!

The light bulb in my mind pinged with thoughts of my life right now. As questions emerged, I wanted to seek counsel from the Bible for the answers:

Am I that non-working light on a pole?

No one after lighting a lamp covers it with a jar or puts it under a bed, but puts it on a

stand, so that those who enter may see the light. Luke 8:16

The Light that shined so brightly over 2,000 years ago is the same Light that illuminated the world at creation. This same Light should be illuminating my heart. And if it's not, then reflection, repair, and repentance need to be my action steps.



PASTOR SAM & JERRY, WHO'S AWESOME
BECAUSE HE'S A JAMES

Maybe my light bulb needs changed?

Am I shining my brightest, and, if not, then what needs changed or cleaned?

The path of the righteous is like the first gleam of dawn, shining ever brighter until the full light of day. But the way of the wicked is like deep darkness; they do not know what makes them stumble.

Proverbs 4:18-19
From these verses, I need to first stop and check my path. If I am on the wrong one, then I should ask Jesus to clean me up and put me back on the path He has intended for me.

Am I wired properly to the source of power?

He has placed eternity into our hearts. Ecclesiastes 3:11

You are the source of all life, and because of Your light we see the light. Psalms 36:9
In each of us, God has wired our human soul to have an awareness of an eternity for those who have chosen a life with Jesus. He has given us a light that should shine so brightly that those who seek will/can find Him!

This roadside analogy allowed me to check in on my heart and if it's shining outward to the ones we want to share the very precious story of redemption.

You're the light of the world—like a city on a hilltop that can't be hidden. No one lights

a lamp and then puts it under a basket. Instead, a lamp is placed on a stand, where it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your good deeds shine out for all to see, so that everyone will praise your heavenly Father. Matthew 5:14-16

To close, I want to check in with you! Yes, it's honesty time.

How's your light?

If you want the light to come into your life you have to stand where it's shining.
-Unknown ■

STAY IN THE LOOP

CHURCHES THAT HEAL



THERE'S A NEW CLASS starting in the beginning of April that you definitely do not want to miss! It is called *Churches That Heal* and it focuses on emotional and relational health. How do we really find the freedom that Jesus promises us?

In John 8, Jesus was speaking to the Jewish people who believed Him and said, *"If you hold to my teaching, you are*

really my disciples. Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free" (vv. 31-32). Yes, the truth will set us free. But it is crucial that we live by and engage in the teachings of Jesus. *Then* we will know this liberating truth.

Engaging in what Jesus teaches takes hard work, especially for those of us who have hurts, wounds, and inadequacies.

But here's the good news! Jesus isn't waiting for us on the other side of our process, waiting for us to hurry up and heal already. He is with you in the process and the healing all the way. Many of Jesus' teachings bring healing in many areas of our lives, including the emotional and relational areas.

I am thrilled to be leading this class here at the church. One of the focus areas in our Foursquare movement recently has been health and healing. This material was offered by Foursquare to all of the churches. I went through it for myself, and I have learned a lot, grown, and now strive to continue my own journey of healing. We all know the saying: "Hurt people hurt

people." But recently, I heard someone continue, "...But healed people heal people."

Real healing and change comes from the Lord, but God does mighty things through people who live out His Word. This is who I want to be: I want to be the kind of person who takes God's Word so seriously that the freedom I have been given in Christ is contagious. Yes, it takes work, but the work is worth it.

Join me in April as we kick off this 7-week class. We will be looking at the healing formula: grace + truth +time, relational connection, boundaries, processing pain, and maturity in relationships. All are welcome! ■



PASTOR KAYLEE HANKS

CAROLYN'S JOKE CORNER



At times, I think to myself, “Drop the book and get things done!” Then I laugh and turn the page.

My mind still thinks I’m 50 - My body thinks my mind is an idiot.

Today I plan on being as useless as the G in lasagna.

By replacing your morning coffee with green tea, you can lose up to 87% of what little joy you have left in your life!


I’m no longer a spring chicken; I’m a seasoned hen!

I only drink coffee Monday through Friday and on weekends.

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