Notes.

Sermon Text

Spiritual "To Do List"

(things God has shown me today)

Subject

Service Music

Pre-service -HERE I AM, LORD - D. Schutte

Prelude -LOBT GOTT DEN HERREN (Life-Giver, Maker, God) - M. Vulpius Special Music -People Need the Lord - P. McHugh, G. Nelson © 1983 Admin. by Capitol CMG Publishing. Used under ccli #3197287. All rights reserved.

Who's Your Daddy?

It is told that a seminary professor was vacationing with his wife in Gatlinburg, TN. One morning, they were eating breakfast at a little restaurant, hoping to enjoy a quiet, family meal. While they were waiting for their food, they noticed a distinguished looking, whitehaired man moving from table to table, visiting with the guests. The professor leaned over and whispered to his wife, 'I hope he doesn't come over here.' But sure enough, the man did come over to their table.

'Where are you folks from?' he asked in a friendly voice.

'Oklahoma,' they answered.

'Great to have you here in Tennessee,' the stranger said.. 'What do you do for a living?' 'I teach at a seminary,' he replied.

'Oh, so you teach preachers how to preach, do you? Well, I've got a really great story for you.' And with that, the gentleman pulled up a chair and sat down at the table with the couple.

The professor groaned and thought to himself, 'Great ... Just what I needanother preacher story!'

The man started, 'See that mountain over there? (pointing out the restaurant window). Not far from the base of that mountain, there was a boy born to an unwed mother. He had a hard time growing up, because every place he went, he was always asked the same question, 'Hey boy, Who's your daddy?' Whether he was at school, in the grocery store or drug store, people would ask the same question, 'Who's your daddy?'

He would hide at recess and lunch time from other students. He would avoid going in to stores because that question hurt him so bad. 'When he was about 12 years old, a new preacher came to his church. He would always go in late and slip out early to avoid hearing the question, 'Who's your daddy?'

But one day, the new preacher said the benediction so fast that he got caught and had to walk out with the crowd.

Just about the time he got to the back door, the new preacher, not knowing anything about him, put his hand on his shoulder and asked him, 'Son, who's your daddy?'

The whole church got deathly quiet. He could feel every eye in the church looking at him. Now everyone would finally know the answer to the question, 'Who's your daddy?'

'This new preacher, though, sensed the situation around him and using discernment that only the Holy Spirit could give, said the following to that scared little boy. 'Wait a minute! I know who you are! I see the family resemblance now, You are a child of God.' With that he patted the boy on his shoulder and said, 'Boy, you've got a great inheritance.

Go and claim it '

'With that, the boy smiled for the first time in a long time and walked out the door a changed person. He was never the same again. Whenever anybody asked him, 'Who's your Daddy?' he'd just tell them, 'I'm a Child of God.."

The distinguished gentleman got up from the table and said, 'Isn't that a great story?' The professor responded that it really was a great story!

As the man turned to leave, he said, 'You know, if that new preacher hadn't told me that I was one of God's children, I probably never would have amounted to anything!' And he walked away ..

The seminary professor and his wife were stunned. He called the waitress over & asked her, 'Do you know who that man was -- the one who just left that was sitting at our table?'

The waitress grinned and said, 'Of course. Everybody here knows him. That's Ben Hooper, former governor of Tennessee!'



Notes:

Other announcements

& prayer requests

Pilgrim Holiness Church, Rt. 145, Middleburgh, New York Richard W. Owens, Pastor www.nyphc.org www.facebook.com/nyphc January 21, 2024 SANCTITY OF HUMAN LIFE SUNDAY Pro-Life ...Not A Choice, But A Fundamental Principle of Christianity Let us join together as God's family today as we worship the Creator Who has

made all people in His image. Welcome!

Announcements

- February 9 Conference-wide Day of Prayer and Fasting.
- February 11 Ministerial Benefit Offering.
- February 14 First day of the pre-Easter season (the six weeks leading up to Easter), commonly known as Lent.
- February 16-18 Mid-Winter Youth Convention.
- March 5-7 Outreach and Bus Convention at Lebanon, PA.

Call To Worship

God formed man from the dust of the earth.

We praise God for His gift of life to mankind.

God breathed into man the breath of life.

The gift of life is precious in the sight of God.

Man became a living being.

God formed man and woman in His own image from the dust of the earth.

Therefore human life is sanctified and held holy by all who believe in God. *The gift of life is precious and holy in His sight.*

God has ordained us to choose life over death. *We praise Him for the gift of life and for the courage to embrace it, protect it, and honor it.*

GOD of all goodness, you have entrusted us with the gift of life. Help us to appreciate that gift from the first moments of conception to the last breaths of old age. Send Your strength to all those who defend the unborn, the weak, and the dying against attempts to cut short their lives. May Your Holy Spirit touch the hearts of those who are tempted to choose the way of death rather than life. Grant that Your people may always be a sign of your love in the world. Amen

SERVICES — SUNDAY: Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morning Worship 11:00 a.m. Cobleskill 4:00 p.m.— WEDNESDAY: Midweek Service 7:00 p.m. Sunday morning services are livestreamed at www.facebook.com/nyphc

Prayer Requests

- This week we are praying especially for our sister church in **Northville**, **NY.** Merle Hock is the pastor.
- Pray for a renewed vision for our church, that we may fulfill God's purpose for us in the place where we minister.
- **Pray** for our nation. **Pray** for the pulling down of the strongholds of evil in our land. (II Corinthians 10:4)
- **Pray** for Israel: for protection from the ongoing war and terrorism from her enemies, and that many will turn to the true Messiah / Prince of Peace during this time.
- Pray for Christians in danger all over the world.
- The Millses have requested prayer for the **Brazil Youth Camp** February 12-14.
- Continue to pray for:
 - Special requests for those on our hearts, especially the Fields family, Nathan M., Byron S., Ethan, Rowan S.
 - **Missionaries**: Nichole Barr, the Davises, the Easleys, B. Fay, the Himelicks, the Millses, R. Moulton, the Samborskis, Jack Sherman, Judy Sherman, and the T. Shermans.
 - Bible Colleges GBSC, PVBI, AWC, UBC, HSBC
 - Safety and protection for our Armed Forces.
 - Our President, Congress, and Supreme Court, that they may make righteous choices.
- **Pray** for these physical need requests:
 - Dennis R., Jacob Peabody, Bradley Dendler, Angela P., Anna, Janine, Larry C., Stanley C., B. Cook
- Other requests:
 - Rosemary Snyder, the Rooneys
- Early Woodland requests:
 - Dick, Marian, Joanne, Bob.

	Suggested Daily Scripture Reading			
	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
OT NT PSA PROV	Genesis 42:18-43:34 Matthew 13:47-14:1 Psalm 18:16-36 / Proverbs 4:7-10		Genesis 46:1-47:31 Matthew 15:1-28 Psalm 19:1-14 Proverbs 4:14-19	Genesis 48:1-49:33 Matthew 15:29-16:12 Psalm 20:1-9 Proverbs 4:20-27
Thursday		Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Genesis 50:1 - Exodus 2:10 Matthew 16:13-17:9 Psalm 21:1-13		Exodus 2:11-3:22 Matthew 17:10-27 Psalm 22:1-18	Exodus 4:1-5:21 Matthew 18:1-20 Psalm 22:19-31	Exodus 5:22-7:25 Matthew 18:21-19:12 Psalm 23:1-6
Pro	verbs 5:1-6	Proverbs 5:7-14	Proverbs 5:15-21	Proverbs 5:22-23



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