For: Sunday, September 1, 2019

## "A Long, Hard Oppression"

Lesson: Exodus 1:7-22

#### **GOLDEN TEXT:**

"The Egyptians made the children of Israel to serve with rigour: and they made their lives bitter with hard bondage."—Exodus 1:13-14

#### **TODAY'S AIM:**

"To learn how God faithfully blessed the Hebrews, no matter how much the Egyptians tried to oppress them."

#### **INTRODUCING THE LESSON:**

Today we so often see the secular media portraying Christianity as a major threat to the way of life and freedoms that have become the norm for modern society. The secular world both fears and hates Christians, and many would like to take away our religious liberty and silence the free, public preaching of the gospel and the truth of the Scriptures. But as in the days of Exodus, God will show Himself faithful by using that very fear and hatred to deliver His people and bless them greatly.

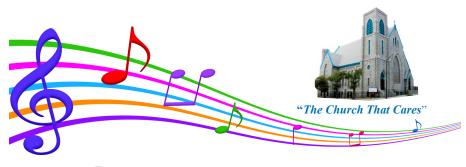
We must reject the temptation, no matter how strong and reasonable it may seem at times, to return that fear and hatred in kind. It is the Christian's unwavering duty to trust in God's faithfulness to protect and avenge His people as their needs require in His own perfect timing. We must always remember that our battle is not against people, but against the spiritual forces of evil that are behind people's fear and hatred of us (Ephesians 6:12). Our sole responsibility is to show God's love toward the lost, preaching and ministering to them in imitation of the Lord Himself.

#### **PRACTICAL POINTS:**

- 1. Earthly leaders rise and fall; God's power is everlasting and unlimited (Exodus 1:7-9).
- 2. When God blesses His children with abundance, the enemy often seeks to destroy them (Exodus 1:10-11).
- 3. Through the strength of God, we can continue to grow during persecution (Exodus 1:12-14).
- 4. God protects those who fear Him rather than shrink from danger (Exodus 1:15-21).
- 5. It is unwise for man to pronounce judgment against God's people (Exodus 1:22).

#### **CONCLUDING THE LESSON:**

No matter how dark things look, God is at work to bless and prosper them according to His special plans for them.





The Grace Memorial Baptist Church

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# "High Standards and High Expectations for the Glory of God"

### **Church News**

#### **BLUE WRIST BANDS**

**Every member** of Grace is requested to **work** towards getting and wearing a blue wrist band which will also represent the fact that we are united in purpose. Members that have already received their wrist band and are **NOT** wearing it, please put your band on and keep it on until we cut the ribbon to our new church.



## **Don't Forget!**

#### **ENCOUNTER**

**<u>Each Sunday morning</u>** from 10:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. (following the Sunday Church School).

#### THE LORD'S KITCHEN

**Open** Tuesday, August 27 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. across the street from our church.

#### **Sick and Shut-Ins**

\*\*Deacon Michael Montgomery, 9130 Hines Rd., Parkville, MD 21234 Sis. Angela Ross, 1900 Ramblewood Rd., Apt B, 21239

### **Special Prayer Request**

Sis. Anndell Lawrence's mother, Sis. Carrie Lawrence



\*\*Michael Montgomery - August 25th



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How to reach the masses, men of ev-'ry birth, For an answer Jesus gave the key: "And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, Will draw all men unto Me." **Refrain**: Lift Him up, Lift Him up, Still He speaks from eternity: "And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, Will draw all men unto Me."

Oh! the world is hungry for the Living Bread, Lift the Savior up for them to see; Trust Him. and do not doubt the words that He said. "I'll draw all men unto Me." *Refrain*: Lift Him up, Lift Him up, Still He speaks from eternity: "And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, Will draw all men unto Me"

Don't exalt the preacher, don't exalt the pew, Preach the Gospel simple, full and free; Prove Him and you will find that promise is true, "I'll draw all men unto Me" **Refrain**: Lift Him up, Lift Him up, Still He speaks from eternity: "And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, Will draw all men unto Me"

Lift Him up by living as a Christian ought, Let the world in you the Savior see; Then men will gladly follow Him who once taught, "I'll draw all men unto Me." *Refrain*: Lift Him up, Lift Him up, Still He speaks from eternity: "And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, Will draw all men unto Me"



**Emergency Notices** 

All emergency situations are to be reported immediately to the Pastor, Reverend Marshall L. Barnes e.g., death, hospital emergency, etc.

#### The Deacon and Deaconess Ministry

The following Deacon and Deaconess are available to assist members of our Church with prayer and offering of a helping hand whenever assistance is needed and subsequently requested:

During the period of August 12 through September 8 contact the following:

> Deacon Luke Montgomery, Sr., 443-629-7297 Deaconess Beverly Wilson, 443-559-0987 Deaconess Janine Withers, 443-766-8524

Reverend Marshall L. Barnes. Pastor Reverend Frank Bell. Associate Pastor Sister Carolyn Moorehead, Secretary

> Church Office: 410-563-2355 Fax No.: 410-563-7857

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#### Words of Wisdom

"We are the shapers of culture." the workers for change, the dreamers of dreams.



#### **Sermon Notes**

Sunday, August 25, 2019

### **HOW CAN I APPLY THIS SERMON TO MY LIFE?**

Sermon title:
Biblical text:
Main idea of sermon:
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Illustration I want to remember:
What should I do as a result of hearing this sermon?



# Worship Geroice

Sunday, August 25, 2019

Enter to Worship Leave to Serve!

## Special Thanks

Overseer Darryl Elliott Rufus Roundtree and the Da B'More Brass Factory

Brother Brandon Foster

Master Mekhi Franklin

Sister Shadaya Johnson-Gale

Sister Lisa Giles

Sister Francine Hinton

Minister Brandon Hite

Sister Breyona Johnson

**Brother David Miller** 

Brother Tyus Pitt

**Brother Randy Roberts** 

**Brother Denard Spriggs**