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# **FEBRUARY 7, SUNDAY**

Sunday School 9:00 - 9:45 AM Worship Service 10:00 –11:00 AM

- There will be a Called Business Session immediately following the morning worship service. Items of business include: Recommendation for approval to proceed with Sanctuary Renovations and approval to sell Estate Property given to HBC.

## WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 10 (LIMITED SEATING)

- Family Night Supper at 5:00 PM
- MENU: Chili, Cornbread, Salad, Dessert CHILDREN'S MENU: Chicken Nuggets or Hot Dogs \$5.00 for Adults (6th Grade and up) \$3.00 for Children \$20.00 Family Maximum
- Prayer Meeting (6:00-7:00 PM)
- Youth Worship (6:00 -7:00 PM)
- Kidz Praise (6:00-6:30 PM)
- Kid's WOW (6:30 -7:00 PM)
- Adult Choir Rehearsal (7:00 PM)

#### FROM OUR SENIOR PASTOR...

A man got into deep trouble with his wife after forgetting their wedding anniversary. His wife was extremely angry. "Tomorrow morning, I expect to see my gift in our driveway that goes from 0 to 200 in six seconds, no questions asked!" she told him. The next morning, the man got up early and went off to work. As soon as his wife woke, she pushed her head through the window. Sure enough, there was a box in the middle of the driveway well-wrapped and bow-tied. The woman grabbed her bathrobe and ran outside. Perplexed, she picked up the box and brought it inside. She opened it to find a shiny new bathroom scale.

Times of crises often calls for creativity and quick thinking. How do you handle a crisis? There was a time in David's life, before he was crowned king of Israel that crisis came out of nowhere. David fled from King Saul and lived among the Philistines. Achish, king of the Philistines, gave David and his six hundred men (and their families) the town of Ziklag. In 1 Samuel 30, David and his men arrived back in Ziklag only to find that their town had been burned to the ground and their families kidnapped. Here's what David did in his moment of crisis.

David understood the facts. In 1 Samuel 30:1-6, after seeing the burned city and that everyone had been kidnapped, David understood he was in a difficult situation. Verse six says he was in an extremely difficult position because his troops were on the brink of stoning him. In times of crisis, we must gather facts. As we gather our facts, we must understand the significance of the crisis. For David, the significance was that he could lose his life. For you, it may be you may lose a job or a relationship or your house. It's in the understanding the significance and reality of the crisis that leads us to do what David did next.

**David found his strength in the Lord.** At the end of verse six, we see that in the midst of this overwhelming crisis, David found strength in the Lord. There is no crisis too big; no crisis so powerful that will ever overtake what God can do in your life. He is immovable, immutable, an everpresent help in times of trouble (Ps. 46:1). In times of crisis, find your strength in the Lord.

**David prayed for wisdom and direction.** In verses 7-8, David prayed to the Lord about what to do. We call this praying for wisdom, guidance, and direction. David didn't want to do anything the Lord wasn't leading him to do no matter how bad the situation may have been. In your times of crisis, ask the Lord what you should do.

David obeyed the Lord. The rest of the chapter is really about David's obedience to the Lord. The Lord didn't tell David exactly what to do, he merely said "Pursue them, for you will certainly overtake them and rescue the people" (8). The Lord wanted David to use his gifts and leadership to see God's words come to fulfillment. In your times of crisis, God may not do everything for you. You may need to look for another job. You may need to move out. You may need to rent for a while. God expects us to do what we can while relying on Him to do what He can.

Times of crisis aren't solved with a bathroom scale, or even with a quip like "this too shall pass." Times of crisis are solved by going to the Lord and relying on His help.



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Their lives have been blessed by their love for each other and by their faith in the Lord love for each other and by their faith in the Lord Claire Parker Russell and Justin Charles Nowell invite you to witness the vows that will join them as one Saturday, the sixth of February Two thousand and twenty-one at six o'clock in the evening Highland Baptist Church

## MEMORIAL FLOWERS

The flowers in the Sanctuary today are in memory of Mrs. Lori Parker Calvert, Dr. Leo Lancaster, Mrs. Earnestine Carney, Mr. Searcy Lee Parker and Mr. Charles Lewis Tolbert given by Mr. and Mrs. Justin Nowell.

#### HIGHLAND BAPTIST CHURCH MEMORIALS

IN MEMORY OF PHIL DAVIS BY:

David and Billie Stephenson and David and Margaret White

Mr. and Mrs. Hester

Mrs. Carolyn McCay

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Mayer

Designated to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering by Mr. and Mrs. Elliott Fleming

**Designated to Capital Improvements by:** 

Mr. and Mrs. Duffee Williams

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Medlin

Designated to the Highlanders by Highland Baptist Church

IN MEMORY OF PHIL DAVIS:

IN MEMORY OF TONY CLARK:

Designated to Electronic Media Technology by Mr. and Mrs. Jim Follis

## CHRISTIAN LOVE AND SYMPATHY ARE EXTENDED TO:

...Jimmy Richardson and family and Mrs. Angie Dover and family in the death of their mother.

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Budget 122,371.55 CDC F	Req. to date(5@ 23,342.08)116,710.40
Child Development Center .00 CDC R	Receipts to date 96,867.50
Child Development Center Designated  CDC F 7,094.60	Receipts to date 90,807.50
Total 129,466.15 SUND	

Budget Req. to date (5@ 23,309.06) 116,545.30 MORNING WORSHIP 184

Budget Receipts to date 187,315.39