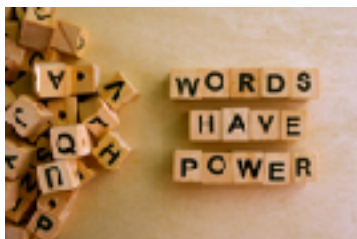


"... pursue righteousness, faith, love and peace, along with those who call on the Lord out of a pure heart"
2 Timothy 2:22

December 27th, 2020 - The Most Important Missing Words

Missing words matter. If someone removes the "Do Not" from a "Do Not Enter" sign, the whole message changes! Now it's "Enter" and it could cost someone their life! If you ask someone for advice, and they say, "I don't think you should," but their mask muffles their voice and all you hear is, "You should," that could be a big problem! Missing words matter!



The Jews who crucified Jesus understood this better than anyone. *"Pilate also wrote an inscription and put it on the cross. It was written, 'Jesus the Nazarene, the King of the Jews.' Therefore many of the Jews read this inscription, for the place where Jesus was crucified was near the city; and it was written in Hebrew, Latin and in Greek. So the chief priests of the Jews were saying to Pilate, 'Do not write, 'The King of the Jews'; but that 'He said, 'I am the King of the Jews.' Pilate answered and said, 'What I have written I have written.'"* (John 19:19-22)

To the Jews, there were 4 crucial words missing from that placard! *"He said I am."* 4 missing words changed the entire message. Without *"He said I am,"* it sounds like Jesus actually was the King of the Jews. With the 4 words included, it sounds like just a claim. God, in His wisdom and providence, ensured those 4 words were missing. He wanted the world to hear the proclamation of the cross loud and clear: *"Jesus **is** the King of the Jews."*

'Tis the season, and while it's my favorite time of the year, I'm reminded every Christmas of the most important missing words of all. Most people, even the non-religious, are familiar with the angelic praise to God over the birth of Jesus: *"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among men."* (Luke 2:14a). The King James rendering is even more familiar: *"...and on earth peace and good will toward men."*

It's such a beautiful thought. Peace and good will? Who wouldn't want that? But when that's all we remember, there are 5 words missing! The second half of Luke 2:14 says, *"...with whom He is pleased."* That changes the whole message, doesn't it? It means it's not peace and good will for *all mankind in general*, but only for those who please God. These might be the most important missing words ever! They change the focus from the warmth of baby Jesus in a manger to the sting of the-knows-everything-about-our-sins adult Jesus dying for us a cross. For most, Christmas is such a comforting time of warm feelings and good tidings, but it shouldn't be if we're not pleasing God. Jesus' didn't come just to warm our hearts. He came to save our hearts.

The question is, how do we please Him? How can we experience the peace and goodwill Jesus came to bring? Hebrews 11:6 says, *"Without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is and that He is a rewarder of those who seek Him."* Romans 5:1 says, *"Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ."* God wants all mankind to experience peace and good will, but it's reserved for those who put their faith in Jesus' sacrifice on the cross and live in obedience to Him. If we want true peace and good will, we can't just live by the soul-warming birth of baby Jesus, but by the soul-saving death of grown-up Jesus. If we'll commit to follow Him in faith, we'll experience peace and good will not just this time of year, but every day of our lives.

Sunday Worship Services

9 a.m. Lord's Supper Service
9:45 a.m. Bible Class
10:45 a.m. Praise & Preaching

Wednesday Bible Classes 7:30 p.m.

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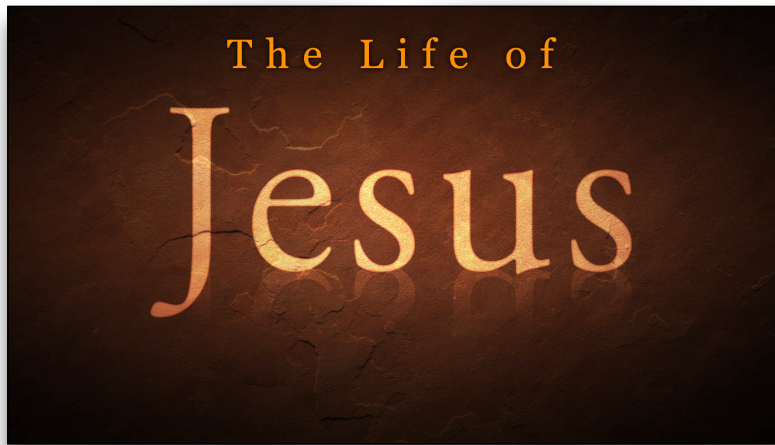
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Matt Hinely, Terry Petty
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3 Key Prophecies:

1. Genesis 3:1 — seed of woman to _____ Satan's head
2. Genesis 12:3 — seed of Abraham to bless all humanity
3. 2 Samuel 7:12-16 — descendant of David to reign as _____ forever

Events of His Life:

- ▶ The birth of Jesus
- ▶ Baptized by _____
- ▶ Tempted in the _____
- ▶ Began performing miracles
- ▶ Quickly gained _____
- ▶ Moved to _____
- ▶ Performed many miracles in Galilee
- ▶ Taught _____
- ▶ Prayed all _____, then chose apostles
- ▶ Preached the Sermon on the _____
- ▶ Reached out to people no one else would reach out to
- ▶ Patiently _____ and challenged His apostles
- ▶ Frequent conflicts with the Jews
- ▶ Rebuked Jews for being _____
- ▶ Provoked the Jews by raising _____

- ▶ Entered _____
- ▶ Warned apostles against apostasy
- ▶ Prayed "Let this _____ pass from Me"
- ▶ Was _____
- ▶ Condemned to death by the Jews
- ▶ Put on trial before _____
- ▶ Was scourged
- ▶ Sentenced to _____
- ▶ Was crucified
- ▶ Was _____, then raised the 3rd day
- ▶ Ascended into Heaven

Applications:

1. _____ who Jesus is
2. _____ accordingly
 - ◆ Believe, repent, confess, be baptized, & continue to obey His commandments (**John 3:16; Mark 16:16; Luke 24:47; Rom. 10:9-10; Matt. 28:18-20; Matt. 7:21**)
 - ◆ Give up everything to follow Him (**Luke 14:26-33**)!

Announcements

Sunday, December 27th, 2020

Please email all new announcements to announcements@psd.church by Saturday evening so we can print them.

SICK/HEALTH ISSUES:

- **Anna Marcotte's** back surgery went well, but they had to add another disc to the fusion. She was discharged yesterday. No visitors but cards are welcome. Calls or texts please wait a few days. Please continue praying.

FRIENDS AND FAMILY OF PSD:

- **Patsy's friend Tina Margroff** has COVID-19 and is having unusual, stroke-like symptoms. She is a member of the Clermont church of Christ.
- **Rory Salimbene's mother Shirley** was released from the hospital Friday and is much improved.

TRAVELING:

- Kathy Lodge and Christina Bolton, the Welsh family (Tim, Ann, Rachel), Brandon Gunn, Scott and Debbie Saario, Connor and Alexa McClenny, Brian Messerli, The Rubright family (Rodney, Angela, Austin, Ashley)

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **New syllabi** for the adult class and the high school class are available for the upcoming quarter. They are located in the foyer.
- **An updated class schedule for 2021** has been created and is hanging in the foyer.
- **Brandon Gunn** moved to Tampa on the 13th but will continue being a member at PSD and will be traveling to this area often.

SHUT-IN:

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| • Anne Dickson | • Thurman and Lynna Davis |
| • Geny Harrison | • Patsy Holt |
| • Dave and Peggy Hunt | • Pat Steele |

SPECIAL CONCERNS ABOUT GETTING COVID:

- **Carol Van Cleef**
- **Diane Thyben**



Gabriel Told About Jesus

Word Search

Find the words on the list that are hidden in the puzzle. The words can be left to right, up and down, or diagonally.

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