

May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024



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*Visiting with us?* Tell us more about yourself by filling out a CONNECTION CARD & placing it in offering box near the stairwell. First time guest here...our greeters will provide you with a Welcome Gift. Thanks for Worshiping with us today.

**Our Mission:** To love Jesus and share that love with our community.

- **Worship:** Join us as we worship and glorify the One True God!
- **Communion:** Please come to the table at the front of the sanctuary when you are ready. Take a few moments for personal prayer and meditation.
- **Offering:** We offer three ways to give: Online, by mail, or drop in the offering box at the back of the sanctuary. *(As our guests, do not feel obligated to give.)*
- **Children's Church:** (PLEASE NOTE) - We are currently reevaluating our Jr. Church program – (let us know if you have any questions). (For ages 4 through 5<sup>th</sup> grade).
- **Nursery:** A nursery is provided for infants through age three. (Located down the main hall on your right).
- **Prayer Requests:** Please let us know if we can be praying for you. Prayer cards are located at the Welcome Centre and can be placed in the offering box or handed to the Preacher or Elders.

### **This Week:**

**Sunday: 10:00 am – Worship Celebration**

**Monday: 5:30 pm – Sound Reach Choir**

**Tuesday: 6:30 pm – Life Group at Thomas'**

**Wednesday: 6:30 pm – Youth Groups. (Adult group has ended until Fall).**

**Thursday: 9:30 am – Ladies Bible Study**

### **Upcoming:**

- **MOTHER'S DAY – May 12<sup>th</sup>**
- **CAMP CLEAN-UP (NEICSC) – Saturday, May 18<sup>th</sup> (See Amy or Kent).**
- **MEMORIAL DAY – May 27<sup>th</sup>**

### **Challenge:**

How about letting God write a new page in your story today, as you call on His name - being obedient to Him! Choose to be like King Asa, in I Kings 15:14 - "...Asa's heart was fully committed to the Lord all his life."

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### **Serving Today: (May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024):**

**Meditation:** (D. Cripe)

**Greeters:** (Nall)

**Sound:** (A. Thomas)

**Media:** (S. Cripe)

**Song Leader:** (L. Thomas)

May 12th – **SERMON:** *1 & 2 Kings, Amos, Hosea;* (FOCUS TEXT): *1 Kings 18:19-46*

## **The Divided Kingdom!** **(1 Kings 12-16)**



**Introduction:** All good and lasting stories are built the same: They mostly talk about deliverance! The purpose of story is... **New Life!**

### **However...in our story:**

- **We need a helping hand**
- **A word of advice**
- **A kick in the pants**
- **The Author of our story isn't finished writing... yet!**

### **Israel's current story - Division NOT unity!**

- **Psalms 133:1 - unity**
- **Romans 12:18 - unity**

**1. The past can bring division or unity – in the future.**

**2. Counsel can either hinder or help to build unity.**

- **Titus 2:7-8**
- **Proverbs 15:22**

**3. A solid faith in the truth creates unity.**

**Conclusion:** I Kings 15:14 - "...Asa's heart was fully committed to the Lord all his life."