

MEADOWBROOK BAPTIST CHURCH

Worship This Sunday

July 26, 2020 ~ 9:00 AM

In the Sanctuary or Parking Area

Message: "What Is Christian Growth?"

Services on YouTube meadowbrookbaptist.cc

I NEED YOUR HELP!

I am having trouble finding Lysol (or any brand) of aerosol disinfectant spray for our cushion chairs in the Sanctuary. We spray them every week and it takes a little over 1 can for each week. If you could look for these when you are out shopping (and are not planning to buy for your personal use), would you pick up 2 (they usually won't let you buy more than 2) and bring them to the church on Sunday. We will reimburse you that day. It seems like this is going to be a "normal cleaning" item for a while and I hope as things settle down, we will be able to order this item by the case.

(The spray cleaner that we use on other items, is not good to use on our Sanctuary chairs. Some aerosol sprays are not to be used on cushion or fabric furniture; so before you buy, please check the label to see that it is OK to use on them.) Thanks! Mary Ann

Please Pray

- For a vaccine for "Covid-19" to be found as soon as possible.
- For our School Administrators to have the wisdom to know the best way to reopen schools.
- For the safety of our school children and teachers, our fellow church members, medical workers etc.
- For good white Americans and good Americans of color to come together with plans and programs to ease the tension between us.
- For Mayors and Governors to unite and help with this and find a way to stop the senseless violence by extremists of all colors who do not represent the rest of us, and to do so without using force against peaceful protesters.

DAVID – A MAN LIKE YOU AND ME

Part 2

A Servant... Someone asked a new Christian if he found peace when he started following Jesus. He said he did, but said he also found war. David, like you and me, had to leave childhood behind and live in an adult world with its challenges.

We find war with the devil. While we serve the "god of this world" (2 Corinthians 4:4), he doesn't have to hurt us; he lets the consequences of wrongdoing do that. He just watches us ruin our lives and that of others with our harmful, selfish acts.

David faced Satan as a young man in the jealous rage of King Saul. After he defeated Goliath, he experienced **victory**. He became an army commander and won many battles. And the people sang, "Saul has killed his thousands, but David has killed his tens of thousands".

Saul's reaction brought David **agony**. Jealous of David, he tried to have him killed and David spent five years as an outlaw in the wilderness, running for his life. He was cut off from family and friends (1 Samuel 19:1-26:5).

We never know when our life will be turned upside down. Overnight, David went from a "hero" to a "zero". Sorrows are like that. We are on top of the world one day and get a bad doctor's report the next. God does not spare His children from the ordinary hurts of life. Car crashes and cancer come to us all. But, like David in the wilderness and Jesus on the cross, we may have to suffer for doing the will of God.

When he was older, David met Satan when he was tempted by him to commit adultery with one of his soldier's wives. She became pregnant and Satan tempted David again. This time David had her husband killed to hide the fact that he was the child's father. He then tried to cover it up by marrying her.

God forgave David, but the consequences of that act of wrongdoing ruined his home. His son Absalom turned against him and gathered an