

## Zion Hill Missionary Baptist Church

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SPEAKER: EVANGELIST BOBBI JO CURRY

Morning Worship 11:30 AM

# Morning Service

### SUNDAY, AUGUST 15, 2021

### **ORDER OF SERVICE**

WELCOME	
SUNDAY SCHOOL	SIS BEVERLY DURST
DEVOTION	DEACONS
PRAISE AND WORSHIP	SIS LUCRETIA COLSTON BOLDEN
OFFERING	
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THE SPOKEN WORD	EVANGELIST BOBBI JO CURRY
TIME TO RECEIVE THOSE WHOM THE L	ORD HAS CALLEDEVANG. CURRY
BENEDICTION	EVANGELIST BOBBI JO CURRY
RECCESIONAL	LET THE CHURCH SAY AMEN

#### FROM CANDY AND ZION HILL BAPTIST CHURCH

As I welcome my family, the clan whose tree trunk is known as Jackson, but many branches scattered all over the world, several scriptures were deposited in my spirit.

The first scripture that is often taken out of context on this theme is, "How good and how pleasant it is for brothers to dwell together in unity." Ps. 133:1 First and foremost this refers to human brothers and sisters living in harmony and is not primarily referring to unity in the church. The family, as God intended it, is an amazing component of his kingdom. God's plan cannot be completed without godly families. As goes the family, so goes God's plan. From the very start of the human race the family has been under attack. In the first family, Cain killed his brother Abel. Then Jacob and Esau were estranged. Joseph's brothers threw him into a pit and planned to kill him. Individuals in David's family mocked him, overlooked him, betrayed him, and even tried to kill him. Psalm 133 tells us that when brothers dwell together in unity it is good and pleasant. It is like the anointing from Heaven that came on the priests. It is as if the gushing waters of Mt. Hermon were falling upon the Temple Mount and on God's purposes in Jerusalem. God has commanded His blessings to come to families that live in love and unity.

The second scripture is in I Corinthians 12, where Pastor Paul referenced the composition of the physical body. To show how the church should function is certainly appropriate and should be also applicable in the family. Yes, there are many members of the family, but there is only one (1) body. If there is a weakness, or non-functioning part of the body, it causes other portions to work harder to compensate for that area that is suffering for whatever reason. Christ and his church form one body, as Head and members. Christians become members of this body by baptism. The outward rite is of Divine institution; it is a sign of the new birth and is called therefore the washing of regeneration. But it is by the Spirit, and only by the renewing of the Holy Ghost, that we are made members of Christ's body. And by communion with Christ at the Lord's supper, we are strengthened, not by drinking the wine, or consuming the bread, but by drinking into one Spirit. Each member has its form, place, and use. As in the natural body of man, the members should be closely united by the strongest bonds of love; the good of the whole should be the object of all. All Christians are dependent one upon another where each is to expect and receive help from the rest. Let us then have more of the spirit of union in our family.

The third scripture is Colossians 3:12–14. I was touched by this scripture. Paul told us we should be intentional about who we are, and whose we are. Pastor Paul calls us God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved. He says we are to clothe ourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. This is how the family should function. For satan likes to manipulate our thinking using that old adage of "divide and conquer." Well, our family is no different, and for me this is the hardest part because this was not how we were raised. When one had we all had, we had no choice but to share or else.

I will further expound on Colossians 3:12 - 14 in my weekly "FROM THE HEART OF THE PASTOR" Please continue your reading there for a complete understanding of my commentary.

### **Announcements:**

Responsive Reading today: Matthew 11:1-15

### **FROM THE PASTOR:**

There will be a job fair here at Zion Hill on August 26, 2021. Time to be determined.

**105**<sup>th</sup> **Church Anniversary**. Sunday, September 5, 2021, at 11:30 a.m. **Theme**: "Lord You Built This House" - Psalm 127:1. The Pastoral Staff is chairing the program. We are asking each member for a dollar for each year. \$105. Our guest speaker for the morning service is Rev Artis Caver, Pastor of New Birth Christian Fellowship Assembly. There is no afternoon service. Carryout meal immediately following the services.

The **Precept Upon Precept Bible Study Class** will resume Thursday, September 16, 2021 at 12 p.m. to 2 p.m. We ask that you wear your face mask in class and social distancing is required. You may bring a light lunch if you so desire.

Men's Month and Men's Day will be in October only having morning service.

Sunday School online on Sunday's at 9:15 a.m. –

Call in: 978-990-5047 ~ Access Code 3312613#

Wednesday Bible Study online at 7 p.m. –

Call In: 701-802-5360 and Access Code: 7817353

Healing Love: A Study in Hosea		
August 1 August 2 August 3 August 4 August 5 August 6 August 7 August 8 August 9 August 10 August 11 August 12 August 13 August 14 August 15 August 16	Hosea 1:1–3 Hosea 1:4–9 Hosea 1:10–2:1 Hosea 2:2–5 Hosea 2:6–15 Hosea 2:16–23 Hosea 3:1–5 Hosea 4:1–3 Hosea 4:4–14 Hosea 4:15–19 Hosea 5:1–7 Hosea 5:8–14 Hosea 5:15–6:3 Hosea 6:4–10 Hosea 6:11–7:2 Hosea 7:3–12	□ August 17       Hosea 7:13–16         □ August 18       Hosea 8:1–14         □ August 19       Hosea 9:1–9         □ August 20       Hosea 9:10–17         □ August 21       Hosea 10:1–8         □ August 22       Hosea 10:9–15         □ August 23       Hosea 11:1–4         □ August 25       Hosea 11:8–11         □ August 26       Hosea 11:12–12         □ August 27       Hosea 12:1–10         □ August 29       Hosea 13:4–1         □ August 30       Hosea 13:12–10         □ August 31       Hosea 14:1–5



#### FROM THE HEART OF THE PASTOR.....

"Go in through the narrow gate. The gate to destruction is wide, and the road that leads there is easy to follow. A lot of people go through that gate. But the gate to life is very narrow. The road that leads there is so hard to follow that only a few people find it." Matthew 7:13 - 14

Even though I'm on vacation, there still is a need to remain focused and razor sharp on the biblical principles of God. This popular scripture was part of one of my daily devotions during the week, and I felt the need to expound on it further hopefully to inspire someone to drawer nearer to the one who is monitoring those who desire to travel the road.

This chapter of the gospel according to Matthew begins the last section of the Sermon on the Mount. Over the years these words of Jesus have become foundational, but when we slow down and absorb the picture that Jesus paints, we begin to feel their true weight and intent to the reader.

Within the context of Jesus' teaching in Matthew 5—7, it's clear He is pointing to Himself and His teaching on inner righteousness as the "narrow gate." He also indicates that this opens onto a hard path. In other words, those who follow Him should understand they are choosing a difficult road, from a worldly perspective. It will, however, lead to life.

The choice most people will make is the wide gate leading to an easy path. The imagery of a "wide" gate implies something easy to see, and easy to get through. It also suggests something that accommodates our preferences: wide gates give us more choice over how to pass through than do narrow ones. Since what lies on the other side of that gate appears to be easy, it's the choice most people will make. This has sad, heart-rending implications for the eternal fate of most people. In part, Jesus is referring to those who will continue to follow the teaching of Israel's religious leaders, the scribes and Pharisees. Their legalistic teaching about the Law required from Israelites no heart change, only outward, self-promoting obedience to the rules. This is "easier," in a sense, because it only requires a person to pretend to be righteous. Jesus warned His followers that this was a too-easy road that led to eternal destruction.

Being "wide" also implies that the gate leading to destruction accepts many different approaches. Scripture is clear that there is only one way to salvation, which is Christ. Those who prefer to go "their own way" are simply going to their own doom. In the gospel of John (10:7), Jesus also indicates that He is the sole means by which men can be saved.

The narrow gate, though, opens to the hard way of following Jesus. This gate is "narrow" because there is only a single means of salvation, which is Jesus Christ. It is difficult because Jesus' disciples will be persecuted by His enemies. It is difficult because you and I will be persecuted by our enemies. It is the way His followers must travel, but be encouraged, the path of Jesus is the only path to eternal and abundant life, and you don't need man's GPS to get there.

#### **NOTES FROM THE SERVICE**

DATE	SPEAKER
TEXT	
SCRIPTURE	
NOTES FROM THE MESSAGE:	
PERSONAL APPLICATION:	

#### Etiquette

\*Please refrain from walking and using the middle aisle during worship service

\*Exiting/Entering the sanctuary during prayer and ministry of giving is not permitted

\*No food, gum or drink permitted in the sanctuary

\*Please silence cell phones

\*Please no talking during offertory service

\*Pray for the Sick, and Shut-in and those in bereavement

\*Come to Bible Study and hear the speakers on people who had relationships in the Bible