



THE MESSENGER

APRIL 26, 2020

NEWS AND NOTES

Congregational Meeting
TBD

Weekly Bible Studies
All temporarily being conducted via Zoom. Check our “friends” page on Facebook for more information.

Times of Service
Sunday

Bible study: 9:45 AM
Worship: 10:45 AM; 6 PM

Wednesday

Bible study: 7:30 PM
(Immediately followed by a short worship service)

First Friday of Month
Singing
7:30 PM

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THE MIGHTY BREATH OF GOD (2)

The breath of God is a life-giving breath. *Then the LORD God formed the man of dust from the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and the man became a living creature.* (Genesis 2:7) The breath of the Creator *is* the breath of life. In his address to Job, Elihu attributed his own life to the breath of God. He said, *The Spirit of God has made me, and the breath of the Almighty gives me life.* (33:4) Paul declared, *The God who made the world and everything in it, being Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in temples made by man,^[a] 25 nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mankind life and breath and everything.* (Acts 17:24-25) How evil for a human to take away from another human, either born or unborn, the breath of life which he neither gave nor has the authority to take.

The breath of God is an instructive and corrective breath. Without it we would have no direction, purpose, or sense of achievement. We would flounder, unaware of where we are going or where we have been. *All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.* (2 Timothy 3:16-17) The man of God must remain within an environment wherein he can breathe in what God breathed out. If we would be taught, reproofed, corrected and trained in righteousness then we must be where the air we breathe, metaphorically speaking, is suffused with that which God has breathed out.

Members Needing Our Prayers

The Harrison, Spivey, and Brundige families, Ron Tirey, Marie Byers, Bennie Poynter, Michaela Garnett, Joyce Bolton, Karen Spivey, Jeff Howerton, Rhonda Boyd, Cindy Bradbury, Paul Atkisson, Whitney Crouch

Others Needing Prayers

Karen Litmer, Harvey Baker, Leroy Weatherholt, Keia Burton, Robert Brundige, Valerie and Barry Boyd, John Blessing, William Roberts, Paul and Marrian Lyda, Cindi's niece, Dana, and her children, Shane (a relative of Cindi), Mark (Carol's son), Victoria Poynter, Ron Harmon

To Our Guests

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Type in our name on Facebook, YouTube, or our website if you'd like to watch or just listen to our sermons.

Finally, the breath of God is a breath that brings justice to the ungodly; it is a destroying breath. Although Job's friends failed to comfort, some of what they said *was* true. Eliphaz declared, *As I have seen, those who plow iniquity and sow trouble reap the same. By the breath of God they perish, and by the blast of his anger they are consumed.* (Job 4:8-9) Perhaps the most awe-inspiring example of God's destroying breath is in the crossing of the Red Sea. God was honored by Moses in the song he sang in Exodus 15. Moses sang, *At the blast of your nostrils the waters piled up; the floods stood up in a heap; the deeps congealed in the heart of the sea... You blew with your wind; the sea covered them; they sank like lead in the mighty waters.*" (Verses 8, 10)

We would do well to know God better by reflecting on the breath of God so that when we stand before His throne we will hear breathed out the words, *"Well done, good and faithful servant.... Enter into the joy of your master."* (Matthew 25:23)
John Thompson

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Troy Antle	Richard Brundige	Adam Litmer
David Collins	Adam Daniels	
John Thompson	Adam Litmer	
	Bill Morelan	
	Frank Patton	
	Jamie Powell	
	Pat Seabolt	
	Matt Thompson	
	James Weatherholt	

