

Prayer Focus

Email your requests to
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Psalm 139 (ESV) ²³ Search me, O God, and know my heart! Try me and know my thoughts! ²⁴ And see if there be any grievous way in me and lead me in the

way everlasting! *See also Malachi 3:2-4*

Pray that the LORD will search our hearts and lead us in the right way.

Grocery Giveaway: TODAY after morning worship! Join us in the food pantry hallway to help serve.

Upcoming Events

Contact for more details
info@agapepinson.com

GROW Discipleship Groups (Ages 13+)

- **Ladies:** Sun April 25th 6:00pm at Agape
- **Men:** Wed May 5th 6:30pm at Agape

Spring Offering - March 21st to May 16th. 15% of the offering will go to support missions & our adoption fund. The remainder goes toward special building projects such as a new church sign, new carpet in the sanctuary, and music ministry needs. (Giving should be marked as **Spring Offering**)

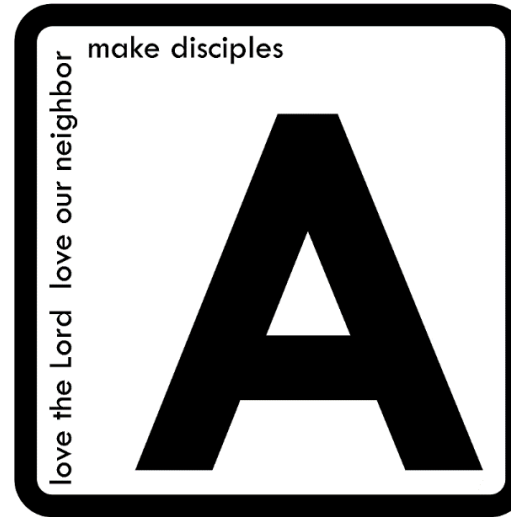
Family Fun Day 2021: Save the date for **June 13th** after morning worship. Lunch, "Man-Food" contest, Corn Hole tournament, prizes, and more!

Giving

If the LORD leads you to give as part of worship, you can do so through our **PayPal address** giving@agapepinson.com or by using the offering box in the main worship area.

BuildingUp Podcast agapepinson.com/podcast/

Latest Episode (#58): Why is blasphemy of the Holy Spirit unforgivable? How do I know if I have committed this sin?



Worship Service Guide April 25, 2021

A Reading From Revelation 4

¹ After this I looked, and behold, a door standing open in heaven! And the first voice, which I had heard speaking to me like a trumpet, said, "Come up

here, and I will show you what must take place after this." ² At once I was in the Spirit, and behold, a throne stood in heaven, with one seated on the throne. ³ And he who sat there had the appearance of jasper and carnelian, and around the throne was a rainbow that had the appearance of an emerald. ⁴ Around the throne were twenty-four thrones, and seated on the thrones were twenty-four elders, clothed in white garments, with golden crowns on their heads.

⁸ And the four living creatures, each of them with six wings, are full of eyes all around and within, and day and night they never cease to say, "Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord God Almighty, who was and is and is to come!"

⁹ And whenever the living creatures give glory and honor and thanks to him who is seated on the throne, who lives forever and ever, ¹⁰ the twenty-four elders fall down before him who is seated on the throne and worship him who lives forever and ever. They cast their crowns before the throne, saying, ¹¹ "Worthy are you, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for you created all things, and by your will they existed and were created."

Letters from
I & II PETER
Pastor & Eyewitness

#2: Joy and Grief

1 Peter 1:3-7 (ESV) || David McConnell

³ Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, ⁴ to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, ⁵ who by God's power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. ⁶ In this you rejoice, though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been grieved by various trials, ⁷ so that the tested genuineness of your faith—more precious than gold that perishes though it is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ.

An exhortation to the Church: God is _____ of _____. (v3)

- He has given us _____ life, which is characterized by _____.
 - His _____ is the decisive reason.
- He has _____ for **you** a _____ of the new creation. (v4)
 - Which will never _____.
 - Which you can _____ experience even now.
- He _____ us, from danger within and without, until the time of our full _____. (v5)
 - His means of keeping us is _____.

Life-Truth: One _____ of true salvation is that you continually _____ in God's work for you. (v6)

- Even when _____ arises.

Joy and grief are normative _____ in the Christian life. (4:12)

- For those abiding in Christ, grief will never _____ joy.
- Godly trials occur in accordance to His _____ for you. (v6-7)
- These trials _____ the faith that God uses to _____ you secure.
 - Tested faith is _____ to God and will result in your great _____. (v7)

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Follow-up with a pastor: 205-810-1270 (text or call)

Ask to receive our weekly emails: info@agapepinson.com