

Prayer Focus

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Is 61:11 For as the earth brings forth its sprouts, and as a garden causes what is sown in it to sprout up, so the LORD GOD will cause righteousness and praise to sprout up before all the nations **See also**

Romans 12:11 and Titus 2:14

Ask the LORD for righteousness & praise to sprout up in Agape & in our area.

GROW Discipleship Groups (Ages 13+)

- **Ladies:** Monday July 26th, 6:00pm at Jennifer Dean's Home (Text 205-810-1270 for directions)
- **Men:** Wednesday July 28th, 6:30pm at Agape

Upcoming Events

Contact for more details
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TODAY after Worship - Family Meeting to approve this year's budget.
Grocery giveaway to the church and community.

LEAD - TONIGHT at Agape, 5pm. A gathering for men that focuses on developing leaders in the home and church.

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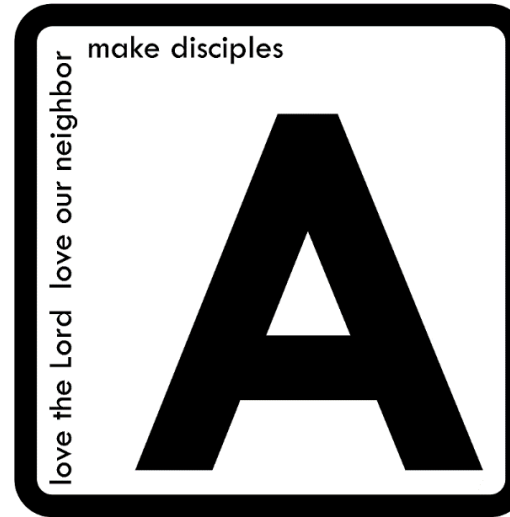
Upcoming: Aug 7th **School Supply Giveaway**, See Lisa Jenkins for details. Aug 8th The McMunns (**Missionaries to the Czech Republic**) will be sharing during part of the service. Snacks and Refreshments will follow.

Giving

If the LORD leads you to give as part of worship, you can use the offering box in our main worship area. You can also give on our **website or church center app**. Please visit agapepinson.com/give

BuildingUp Podcast agapepinson.com/podcast/

Latest Episode (#71): Why God? (Encouragement for those wrestling with hard questions) 1 Corinthians 13



Worship Service Guide July 25, 2021

A Reading From Psalm 145 (ESV)

¹ I will extol you, my God and King, and bless your name forever and ever. ² Every day I will bless you and praise your name forever and ever. ³ Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised, and his greatness is unsearchable. ⁴ One generation shall commend your works to another and shall declare your mighty acts. ⁵ On the glorious splendor of your majesty, and on your wondrous works, I will meditate. ⁶ They shall speak of the might of your awesome deeds, and I will declare your greatness. ⁷ They shall pour forth the fame of your abundant goodness and shall sing aloud of your righteousness. ⁸ The LORD is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. ⁹ The LORD is good to all, and his mercy is over all that he has made. ¹⁰ All your works shall give thanks to you, O LORD, and all your saints shall bless you! ¹¹ They shall speak of the glory of your kingdom and tell of your power, ¹² to make known to the children of man your mighty deeds, and the glorious splendor of your kingdom. ¹³ Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and your dominion endures throughout all generations. [The LORD is faithful in all his words and kind in all his works.] ¹⁴ The LORD upholds all who are falling and raises up all who are bowed down. ¹⁵ The eyes of all look to you, and you give them their food in due season. ¹⁶ You open your hand; you satisfy the desire of every living thing. ¹⁷ The LORD is righteous in all his ways and kind in all his works. ¹⁸ The LORD is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth. ¹⁹ He fulfills the desire of those who fear him; he also hears their cry and saves them. ²⁰ The LORD preserves all who love him, but all the wicked he will destroy. ²¹ My mouth will speak the praise of the LORD, and let all flesh bless his holy name forever and ever.

Letters from
I & II PETER
 Pastor & Eyewitness

#14: Two Reasons for Suffering

1 Peter 3:13-17 (ESV) || David McConnell

¹³Now who is there to harm you if you are zealous for what is good?

¹⁴But even if you should suffer for righteousness' sake, you will be blessed. Have no fear of them, nor be troubled, ¹⁵but in your hearts honor Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and respect, ¹⁶having a good conscience, so that, when you are slandered, those who revile your good behavior in Christ may be put to shame. ¹⁷For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that should be God's will, than for doing evil.

Life-Truth: There may be two causes of suffering in your life. The first is that you commit _____ acts. The second is that you commit

_____ acts. All suffering is painful, but (only) one of these is promised to be _____ for you.

Suffering because of Evil

Sin causes _____.

- Justification and Sanctification do not negate the reality that our sin has _____ for _____ and for _____.
- In general, if you are _____ to live like Jesus - as a _____ to others - then you will _____ much suffering.

Suffering because of Piety

There are times that your _____ to Jesus (His model and His words) will result in _____.

- Two _____:
 - It is _____ for you.
 - It will result in a _____.
- Two _____:
 - Do not respond out of _____ or _____.
 - War against distress by means of _____, which is produced by _____ on _____.
 - _____ for your enemies to be _____.
 - Let the character of your _____ match the character of God's _____.

A Gospel Plea: _____ and _____ of your sin. _____ persecution, in reliance to Jesus, with hope and _____.

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