

Haysville Christian Church



Sermon Notes and **Grow Sheet** Series: Getting our Acts Together For the week of **March 22, 2020**

Message: An Enemy Called Fear, Pastor Kurt Henson

Texts: Joshua 1:5-9 & I John 4:18

42 They were continually devoting themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to PRAYER.

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Fear is our enemy: God's LOVE is the cure.

6 **Be strong and courageous**, for you shall give this people possession of the land which I swore to their fathers to give them. 7 Only **be strong and very courageous**; be careful to do according to all the law which Moses My servant commanded you; do not turn from it to the right or to the left, so that you may have success wherever you go. 8 This book of the law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do according to all that is written in it; for then you will make your way **prosperous**, and then you will have **success**. 9 Have I not commanded you? **Be strong and courageous! Do not tremble or be dismayed**, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go."



There is no fear in love; but perfect love casts out fear.... I John 4:18

Joshua and Israel

1. The Challenge of New Territory

- Before they entered the land, they had God's instruction book.
- We find ourselves in new territory
- Note the relevance of God's Word, Leviticus 13-15, CDC Handbook.

2. New Territory brings a New Normal

- Facing Giants was to become a new normal for the Israelites.
- Defeating Giants was to become a new normal for those who lived by faith.
- Example of Caleb, Joshua 14

3. New Territory & challenges provide the opportunity to build a Stronger Community.

- We are in this fight TOGETHER. Joshua 22:1-5
- Love your neighbor as yourself. Matthew 22:39
- By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another. John 13:35

4. Fear is Defeated By the knowledge of God's Love for us.

- Fear is a choice!
- Whose report will you believe?
- Psalm 3:1-6
- Philippians 4:6-9

Isaiah 41:10,

Do not fear, for I am with you; Do not anxiously look about you, for I am your God. I will strengthen you, surely I will help you, Surely I will uphold you with My righteous right hand.'

Grow Sheet for the week of March 22, 2020

Sometime this week, set down together as a family and work through the following questions.

1. Begin with a time of prayer.

Have each person in your family share something they are thankful for.

Give thanks to Papa for His love and provision

Pray for loved ones and neighbors, Pray for an end to this virus.

2. The Bible Project

- a. What did the Holy Spirit reveal to you this week in your study of God's word?
- b. What is the purpose of I Samuel?
- c. Why was Saul rejected as King of Israel?
- d. Read I Samuel 15:22-23, How does this passage apply today?
- e. Act out the story of David and Goliath with your children, grandchildren.
- f. I Samuel 16:7, What is in your heart?
- g. Read I Samuel 17:45, Is their power in the name of Jesus today? Can you give examples?
- h. How does the book of I Samuel conclude?
- i. Note: Psalm 78:65-72

3. Sermon Application

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Read Joshua 1:5-9 and I John 4:18

- a. How are you and your family responding to this current challenge?
- b. What source of strength and comfort do you find from God's word? Is there a favorite verse or passage you go to?
- c. How does the knowledge of God's love for us "drive out fear?"
- d. Is there someone that could use a word of encouragement from you? Take a few moments and reach out to them with a card, text, or phone call.
- e. Meditate on Philippians 4:6-9

*Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. 7 And the **peace of God**, which surpasses all comprehension, **will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.***

*8 Finally, brethren, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is of good repute, if there is any excellence and if anything worthy of praise, dwell on these things. 9 The things you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, practice these things, and **the God of peace will be with you.***