

Sermon: There is None Else But the Lord January 31, 2021

Scripture: Isaiah 45

**I. God keeps _____ . Isaiah
44:28–45:1 Proverbs 21:1–2**

**II. The presence of calamities _____ God
is in charge. Isaiah 45:7–12**

**III. God declares his intention to save _____ .
Isaiah 45:16–25**

1. God will draw as he provides hope for the confused.

2. God makes an offer of salvation. Isaiah 45:21–22. Isaiah 55:1–5

**3. God has always _____
reconciliation. (19;23). Isaiah 55:6–11**

Thought for the Day When we see the words “There is None Else but the Lord’ we immediately think that God is saying I’m in charge. Born again Christians believe and accept that in our minds. We believe that as it relates to the world but do we live out that belief in our lives. Many of us struggle with obedience. All of us struggle with trusting God when we are not sure what God is doing in our lives, or what his plan is. Chris Thompson a graduate from Americas Keswick related a story from his life. He was struggling with surrendering his life to God, so one night he went to the chapel and cried out to God “*make me an Angel or turn me into a tree after all you are God. Create me in such a way that I have to obey you. He waited all night and nothing happen. He asked him why nothing was happening? Then God spoke to him in a still small voce and said “because then you can't love me.”*” What God wants is for us to love Him. Trust takes on new meaning when the end goal of that trust is to show God, we love Him. We are saying to God because I love you, I trust you. God wants us to realize no one loves us as much as He does and all the truth He reveals to us using the Bible and the Holy Spirit is to make our lives better. What we choose to obey has been ordained by one who wants to protect us. God loves us so much that He sent His Son to die for us so He could protect us from the evils of this world. In return He wants us to love Him. Perhaps the next time we are tempted to disobey we will surrender our desires to Him so we demonstrate to Him we love Him. **Pastor Bruce**

What's happening with our Youth Ministry today?

Junior Disciples: AM Church Service

Today we are continuing curriculum called "The Core". Over the next year we'll be learning about the 8 "roots" of discipleship, Apologetics, Community, Identity, Kingdom, Knowledge, Outreach, Rescue and Worship. This week we'll continue in our "community" root. Jesus described his followers as sheep with a shepherd. Charles Spurgeon expanded on this idea: "Some Christians try to go to heaven alone, in solitude. But believers are not compared to bears or lions or other animals that wander alone. Those who belong to Christ are sheep in this respect, that they love to get together. Sheep go in flocks, and so do God's people." Are you part of a flock? Do you sense that a flock and a shepherd are necessary for survival? A lone sheep in the wild is extremely vulnerable. A follower of Christ without community is in a similar position. This lesson focuses on the importance of community for every believer. There is also a parent's guide that goes along with these lessons that includes activities your families can do to continue learning during the week. Please let me know if you are not receiving my emails.

Senior High Youth Group: Thursday Nights at 7 PM

On Thursday nights our senior high youth group will be meeting in the youth building. Right now we are working through a study in the book of James with Francis Chan. In the study he unpacks the dense truth contained in the book of James in front of the iconic backdrop of San Francisco, the city where he lives and ministers. Through 12 sessions, Francis works through James verse-by-verse, challenging followers of Christ to move beyond a private, intellectual knowledge of God and His Word, to a vibrant faith that impacts every square inch of life.

The Heart Of Worship

When the music fades all is stripped away
And I simply come
Longing just to bring something that's of worth
That will bless Your heart

Chorus

I'll bring You more than a song
For a song in itself is not what You have required
You search much deeper within
Through the way things appear
You're looking into my heart
I'm coming back to the heart of worship
And it's all about You all about You Jesus
I'm sorry Lord for the thing I've made it
When it's all about You all about You Jesus

King of endless worth no one could express
How much You deserve
Though I'm weak and poor all I have is Yours
Ev'ry single breath

Chorus