

In studying for a sermon this week, I ran across this quote from Francis Schaeffer: “Jesus commands Christians to seek consciously the lowest room. All of us — pastors, teachers, professional religious workers and non-professional included — are tempted to say, “I will take the larger place, because it will give me more influence for Jesus Christ.” Both individual Christians and Christian organizations fall prey to the temptation of rationalizing this way as we build bigger and bigger empires. But according to the Scripture this is backwards: We should consciously take the lowest place, unless the Lord himself extrudes us into a greater one.”

As I superimpose that quote over the current distress, several thoughts come to mind.

- 1. My thoughts are so often counter to Scripture.** You probably struggle with that too. Let's ask this question: "How can I respond to the current distress with the humility of Christ?"
- 2. Christ always exalts the humble, at the proper time.** And time often won't be in this lifetime. Be satisfied in Jesus, not in man's praise.
- 3. No service is too low to be pleasing to God.** No service is too obscure to be noticed by God. No service is too menial to be blessed by God.
- 4. God's value system and man's value system are significantly opposed to one another.** What direction are you being pulled today?
- 5. God doesn't delight in you because of the size of your ministry or influence.** As we'll see in today's sermon, God delights in you because of Jesus. No other reason. Can you rest in that truth today?

I hope during these days you are reaching out to one another. God has given us many tools to stay connected. I am grateful for each of them. I am also grateful for you. More than ever.

I also want to keep the Great Commission before you. In what way can you fulfill that this week? Invite friends to watch Sunday's sermon. Video your testimony and put it on social media. Reach out to a friend with a tract. Initiate a gospel conversation. You have more influence than you think. You also have the Holy Spirit's power to amplify and multiply your Great Commission work. Trust Him to work for the glory of the Father.

NEWS & UPDATES

Sermons

To view the latest sermon or past sermons please go online to: www.westhavenbaptist.org or you can go online to our [West Haven Facebook page](#) or go to [YouTube and search West Haven Baptist Church](#). You do not have to pay to view it on YouTube or have a subscription. We will stream as normal of a service as possible on Sunday mornings at 10:30.

Prayer Requests

Please email any personal prayer requests to Pastor Mike at mike@westhavenbaptist.org or Pastor Nathan at nathan@westhavenbaptist.org.

Prayer List

We would like to publish a prayer list during this time. Please email prayer request information to christina@westhavenbaptist.org or call 913-369-9422.

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SERMON NOTES

Pastor Mike Bronson
Psalm 16

The Christian's Confidence

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MEMBER INFORMATION

Budget Detail as of 4/12/2020

Weekly Budget Req. - \$9,506.19

General Fund Rec. - \$10,136.00

Mo. to Date Budget Req. - \$19,012.38

Mo. to Date Giving - \$24,369.00

We exist to see people saved,
lives changed, and Jesus glorified.

2020 Prayer Requests:



April 12, 2020

Gail Drake: surgery on April 21. Prayers for her, her doctors and for her recovery.

Easton Wylie: fell out of swing and broke his arm. He has a cast.

Bryan Baggett: pastor in TX, still going through some testing for the cause of seizures (Kirk Baggett's cousin)

April 5, 2020

Continued prayer for Michelle Fridlington's sister and her health.

Amber Workman: Praise for the birth of their new son, Dean Workman on April 4. He was 6lbs. 9 oz. & 19.5 inches long.

Kent Clubine: has been tested for COVID 19 & is in quarantine while waiting results. Please pray for him. (Donna Bartkoski's son)

Sarah Breuer: ongoing treatments

Expecting Mothers of WHBC:

Other Expecting Mothers:

Erin Miller: June 25 (Kelly & Chris Bingham's daughter)

Long Term Requests:

Nick Cox: In prison (Kevin Cobb's nephew)

Raiden Harnden: Spina Bifida (Bill & Denise Harnden's grandson)

Karli Harnden: Knies Dysplasia (Bill & Denise Harnden granddaughter)

Patrick & Casey: salvation, and a miraculous life change from the Holy Spirit. Pray for God to protect Gage. (John & Jenny Worden)

Isaiah: prayers for him (Bambi Dome, adoptive mom)

Brent Koprivica: continued prayers for health (Lenora Baggett's boss)

Aunt Jo: continued recovery for bladder cancer (Cathy Stueckemann)

Jon, Lindsay, & Haylie's salvation (Cathy Stueckemann)

Jacob Stine: prayers with the daily struggle of addiction recovery

Aaron McIntyre: prayers for good health & safety while studying abroad in China (Mike & Michelle McIntyre's son)

Sarah Breuer and family

Zack Langford: (Randy & Pam Stevens' grandson)

Military:

ILT Parker Osborne, US ARMY: stationed at Ft. Jackson, SC: continued prayer (Donna Osborne's daughter)

MSGT Benjamin Goldsberry: USAF, Ft. Bragg, NC: change of rank (Donna Osborne's nephew)

CPT Dan Hopkins, Jr., US ARMY, Korea (Dan & Sesuk Hopkins' son)

CPT Tim Hopkins, US ARMY, Ft. Polk, LA, Airborne Light Infantry Team (Dan & Sesuk Hopkins' son)

CPT Tom Hopkins, US ARMY, Ft. Bliss, TX (Dan & Sesuk Hopkins' son)

CPT Kelsey Hopkins, US ARMY Reserve, Ft. Bliss TX, (Dan & Sesuk Hopkins' daughter-in-law)

LCDR Catherine Hopkins, US Navy, Univ. of Iowa (Dan & Sesuk Hopkins' daughter-in-law)

Staff Sargent Joshua Spruill: USAF stationed at Alamogordo, AFB, NM (Mike & Becky Derzinski's nephew)

Lexis Fehol: Air Force Basic, San Antonio, TX (Elisabeth Laundry's friend)

Andrew Stueckemann: Navy-moving to Japan in January (San Diego, CA) (Cathy Stueckemann's son)

Austin Stueckemann: ARMY, stationed at Fort Campbell KY/TN (Cathy Stueckemann's son)

Elisabeth Schaffer: US ARMY (Brad & LuAnna Lingo's niece)

A1C Rebecca Baggett: Air National Guard Tennessee (Kirk & Lenora Baggett's daughter)

Christian Hernandez: Marine, 29 Palms, California (Teresa Sickman's son & great grandson of Olive McCracken)

Joey Edwards: deployed in Afghanistan (Bob & Vicki Edwards' son)

Brendan Caufield: U.S. Navy Nuclear Power Training Command, Charleston, SC (Mike & Becky Derzinski)

Jacob Derzinski: US Marine Corp, Ft. Schwab, Okinawa, Japan (Mike & Becky Derzinski's son)

Ian Wheaton: US Navy—Pearl Harbor (Kirk & Lenora's family friend)

Derrick & Angela Wagner: USAF, stationed at McDill AFB (Jennifer Belcher's brother & sister-in-law)