

SERMON NOTES

Pastor Mike Bronson

Matthew 16:17

The Way Forward

1. Identification – Who are You?
2. Clarification – What is your purpose
3. Concentration – What is your focus?
4. Motivation – What do we need to press on
5. Anticipation – What is to come?
6. Execution – How do we practice this?



Thank you for joining us on this Lord's day.

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

October 7, 2018



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WELCOME!

We're glad you have joined us for our weekly worship gathering. Our prayer is that during this time, you would see the beauty, grandeur, and glory of God as we worship him together in song, prayer, and the preaching of His word.

We exist to see people saved, lives changed and Jesus glorified. Our desire is that you know Jesus Christ, be born again and rest in the gospel.

Connect With Us!

We'd ask everyone to fill out a Connect Card located in the seat in front of you. Please place this card in the offering plate, as it passes by.

If you're interested in visiting with one of our members or pastors, please indicate that on your Connect Card. We'd love to buy you a cup of coffee, or simply make a phone call, to tell you more about us or answer any questions you may have. We won't surprise visit or spam you!

We value membership at West Haven. The idea of experiencing salvation without belonging to a local church is foreign to the New Testament. If you would like to explore membership, please give us your best contact information on the back of the Connect Card. One of our pastors will be in touch with you!

Public WiFi Channel

Due to severe bandwidth problems in the nursery and in the sound booth, we've had to disable the public WiFi set up for the time being. We hope to have a solution for you soon. We apologize for the inconvenience. Thanks!

CALENDAR

Sunday, October 7

5:30 p.m. Churchwide Prayer Meeting

Monday, October 8

9:30 a.m. W.O.W. group
11:30 am Senior Adult Fellowship at Arthur Bryant's

Tuesday, October 9

6:00 a.m. Prayer Meeting

Wednesday, October 10

6:15 p.m. AWANA-Store Night
6:30 p.m. Student Ministry
6:30 p.m. Adult Bible Study

Saturday, October 13

6:15 p.m. Prayer for SGC

Sunday, October 14

7:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast
Noon AWANA directors mtg

Monday, October 15

9:30 a.m. W.O.W. Bible Study

Tuesday, October 16

6:00 a.m. Prayer Meeting
Printing 10/21 Bulletin early

Wednesday, October 17

No School (Fall Break)—No AWANA, Student Ministry, or Bible Study

Saturday, October 20

6:15 p.m. Prayer for SGC

Sunday, October 21

Ryon will teach "Ministering to Hurting People"
5:30 p.m. Deacon Meeting

Monday, October 22

9:30 a.m. W.O.W. Group

Tuesday, October 23

6:00 a.m. Prayer Meeting

Wednesday, October 24

6:15 p.m. AWANA
6:30 p.m. Student Ministry
6:30 p.m. Adult Bible Study

Thursday, October 26

6:30 p.m. Student Ministry Game Night (Train Station)

MEMBER INFORMATION

Budget Detail as of 9/30/2018

Weekly Budget Requirement - \$8,830.43

General Fund Receipts - \$8,286.00

Month to Date Budget Requirement - \$44,152.15

Month to Date Giving - \$45,292.62

NEWS & UPDATES

Prayer Meeting - Today

Our monthly churchwide prayer meeting is **tonight at 5:30 p.m.** in the Train Station. There will be no sermon beforehand. We have been unable to procure childcare. However, I encourage you to bring your children if possible. They learn to pray by hearing other people pray. I hope to see you tonight! Bro. Mike

Life Chain 2018 - Today

The Life Chain is the largest peaceful, prayerful, pro-life, public witness group in the world. Local pro-life people will be lining up today along 4th Street in Leavenworth for the Leavenworth County Life Chain. We will be standing on the side of 4th Street between Limit and Thornton from **2:30-3:30 p.m.** Please note this is not an angry, condemnatory “protest” that the media often caricatures. The aggregate message of the signs is about the sanctity of human life and the possibility of healing and redemption. All you have to do is show up. Signs are provided.

“Ministering to Hurting People” classes coming soon

Thanks for being so faithful to our educational ministry! After getting feedback from you, Pastors Mike and Ryon are going to teach a class entitled, “Ministering to Hurting People.” We will ask every adult and student class to cancel and meet in the foyer at 9:15 a.m. on the designated dates below.

Oct. 21—Ryon will teach “Ministering to Hurting People.” Topics will include ministering to people in nursing homes, in grief (in expected and unexpected death), the divorced, those with job loss, those with a wayward child, and people with children who are or have been bullied, and how to minister to those seeking benevolence.

Dec. 2—Mike will teach “Ministering to Hurting People.” Topics will include ministering to people in hospitals, with chronic illness, with mental health issues, affected by suicide, those who suffered sudden monetary or material loss, and aging.

We hope to have time for questions and answers and hope this will equip you to minister to one another as well as those who are unchurched.

A Weekly Note From

PASTOR Mike Bronson

What a joy it is to be with you today! I am going to break every preaching rule “in the book” today. We’ll open God’s Word but rather than expound a passage, I want to share from God’s Word some things God had on my heart. And then I want to leave you with an exhortation that I hope will encourage and edify you. I am very optimistic about the future.

The Spiritual Growth Conference is four weeks away. This is something that’s been on my heart for almost a decade. Traditionally churches hold a four-day “revival” with one speaker who preaches five sermons in four days. And there is certainly nothing wrong with that. But I have prayed and dreamed about this: what would happen if we brought several skilled expositors with widely differing preaching styles and over a three day period, saturate ourselves with the Word of God? I have always believed it would be deeply impactful but it was never really possible until this year. God had to do a number of things to make it happen and over the last three years, they have happened. A few of them are:

1. Spurgeon College and Midwest Baptist Theological Seminary experienced explosive growth. This had led them to bring on board a number of teachers and leaders and created a pool of godly men to draw from.
2. Your giving has been very good for over three years
3. The Stewardship Team was willing to put \$3,500 in this year’s budget for it. Some of you gave very generously so we could absorb all the of the start-up costs necessary for this first year.

There were other obstacles but God has cleared every one of them! So we hope to make this an annual event. We are waiting to see if this is well attended and how impactful it is before moving forward but I am confident that it will be. My primary goal is that you are edified and experience life change. We also have the seating capacity to bless those outside of our church. Tomorrow I am going to the Kansas Nebraska Convention of Southern Baptists to present the promotional video and the conference. We are promoting it on social media and by word of mouth. There are cards at the Welcome Center you can take to invite your friends, neighbors and coworkers.

I am hopeful God is going to do a great work in you. I am asking you to be at all three sessions (Friday night, Saturday, Sunday morning.) For some of you, that’s a big commitment, i.e. paying baby sitters, missing sporting events, cancelling other things on your calendar. I do believe your investment will be worth it for all of eternity. I love you and I am glad to be your pastor.

Tools to Help You

NAVIGATE OUR CHURCH

CHILDREN

We have a cry room in the back of the worship center, and a nursery is on the lower level. Children's church is available for Kids K-4th in the lower level. Feel free to take your children down before the service.

AWANA

Our children meet every Wednesday night at 6:15 p.m. for our AWANA program. To register, simply come into the foyer some time after 6 p.m.

STUDENTS

Our 7th to 12th grade Student Ministry meets each Wednesday night at 6:30 p.m. during the school year.

FACILITY

If you have never been in our building, please stop by the visitor kiosk in the foyer. We would love to give you a tour!

RESTROOMS

There are two sets in the upper level and two in the lower level. Changing tables are available in men's and women's restrooms.

VOLUNTEERS

We do nationwide background checks on every person working with students and children.

Find Your Way

AROUND WEST HAVEN

SEATING — Feel free to sit anywhere you like!

SONGS — We stand when we sing, but it is not a requirement. You are welcome to sit.

OFFERING — Giving is a part of our worship. As a visitor, do not feel obligated to give.

Connect With

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2018 Prayer Requests:



September 30, 2018

Joy Gainer: outpatient surgery Tuesday 10/2; prayers for healing
Government leaders and upcoming elections, revival & awakening (Kelly & Chris Bingham)
Happy to be back again (Jeana Penny—from Colorado)
Marilyn Lindstrom: double knee replacement surgery 10/23 (Lenora Baggett's sister)
Lucy: health & bro. Ed: health (Richard & Caraly Harrison—from Arkansas)
Ibrahima Kodio & Grace Mission School—Mali, Africa
Ron Baggett: health (Kirk Baggett's dad)
Meagan: loss of unborn child (daughter of Mike & Michelle McIntyre)

September 23, 2018

Loretta Kunard, Joy and Dan
Diane Kelly: comfort & healing after back surgery (friend of Chastin Hoffhines)
So very thankful for my church family (Mike & Gail Drake)
Mike Dove: 8 weeks of chemo (Rachel McGuire's Dad)
Our sister-in-law, Marva Brock passed away this week. Pray for spouse, Ken Brock and all of our family. Ken and Marva's daughter-in-law, Tracy broke her neck in horseback riding accident. Tracy is home recovering. Please pray for our family. (Hal & Nancy Brock)
Austin deployed to Cameroon, Africa on Thursday. Thank you church for praying for him and all military members and their families (Cathy Stueckemann)
For a former co-worker as he still continues to struggle with his belief in God as he lost a son to AIDS. Pray for comfort & answers for God's plan for him and family (Angelina & Michael Boyd)
Aaron McIntyre's email address: ammwildhorse@gmail.com

Expecting Mothers of WHBC:

Cindi Benson: Nov. 2018
Maggie Estes:

Other Expecting Mothers:

Rebecca Moore: Nov. 2018 (Chris & Alice Moore's daughter-in-law)
Amanda Hodges: Feb. 2019 (Mike & Michelle McIntyre's daughter)

Long Term Requests:

Nick Cox: In prison (Kevin Cobb's nephew)
Raideen Harnden: Spina Bifida (Bill & Denise Harnden's grandson)
Karli Harnden: Kniest Dysplasia (Bill & Denise Harnden granddaughter)
Joyce Evans: health—The Piper #213
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)
Orvella Schultz: health (Schultz family)
Brent Koprivica: continued prayers for health (Lenora Baggett's boss)
Kathy Laub: health concerns (Michelle Fridlington's mom)
Velma Morgan: cancer treatment (Cathy Stueckemann's mom)
Aunt Jo: continued recovery for bladder cancer (Cathy Stueckemann)
Jon, Lindsay, & Haylie's salvation (Cathy Stueckemann)
Lenora Baggett: health
Jacob Stine: prayers with the daily struggle of addiction recovery
C.J. Shiner: is leaving 9/10/18 for the World Race Gap year 9 month missions trip (Cary & Tracy Shiner)
Aaron McIntyre: prayers for good health & safety while studying abroad in China (Mike & Michelle McIntyre's son)

Military:

1LT Parker Osborne, US Army: assigned to S. Korea for 12 months (Donna Osborne's daughter)
TSgt. Ben Goldsberry: USAF, Ft. Bragg, NC (Donna Osborne's nephew)
1LT Dan Hopkins, Jr., US Army Infantry, Fort Hood, TX (Dan & Sesuk Hopkins' son)
CPT Tim Hopkins, US Army, Fort Polk, LA, Airborne Light Infantry Team (Dan & Sesuk Hopkins' son)
CPT Tom Hopkins, US Army, Ft Bliss, TX Military Police (Dan & Sesuk Hopkins' son)
Derrick Wagner: Air Force (Jennifer Belcher's brother)
Joshua Spruill: USAF NM (Mike & Becky Derzinski's nephew)
Lexis Fehol: Air Force Basic, San Antonio, TX (Elisabeth Laundry's friend)
Zach Povlitzky—Army, El Paso (Amanda O'Bryan)
Andrew Stueckemann: Navy at NAS Pensacola, FL (Cathy Stueckemann's son)
Austin Stueckemann: Army at Ft. Campbell KY (Cathy Stueckemann's son)
Elisabeth Schaffer: US Army (Brad & LuAnna Lingo's niece)
A1C Rebecca Hecker: temp. active duty Kirtland Air Force Base (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: Navy Basic Training in Chicago (Mike & Becky Derzinski)