

From The Desk of  
Pastor Dave:  
"Heroes Of The Faith"



This past Sunday in recognition of Memorial day, we recognized our fallen heroes.

Now, we call the day "Memorial Day" to remember all of the men and women lost in all the wars this country has fought—more than one million people. Their sacrifices have guaranteed the freedoms that we enjoy today but often take for granted.

The Hebrews writer has a lot to say about our heroes of the faith mentioned in Hebrews 11. Of all the heroes, there's none greater than Jesus Christ.

In New Testament Greek, the words for "faith," "trust," and "belief" all come from the same root. It is no wonder, then, that the truest hero of faith is Jesus Christ himself. His faith and trust were in the plan of the Father. Jesus was fully God, being the Son, He forsook His throne in Heaven for the plan of salvation.

Think about that for a minute. He gave up His throne and came to earth for all of us. Even as He performed miracles, He taught his disciples the principle of relying on the Father, casting out demons "only by prayer" and by pointing out that the Father provides for the birds of the air and even more so for people whom He loves.

Before Jesus was arrested, He prayed in the Garden of Gethsemane "not my will, but Your will," and even on the Cross showed great compassion, calling for God to forgive His killers.

John writes at the end of his

Gospel that Jesus did "many other things," to the point that "the world could not contain" all the books it would require.

We know that He will one day return riding on that white horse to gather His bride and take her as His own.

Today, many of us are fighting different kinds of battles. We are battling illnesses, the loss of loved ones, and addictions. We are battling financial hardship and mental health issues. We are battling brokenness within our families and within ourselves. Many of us feel alone, overwhelmed by our struggle.

You may be tempted to surrender. Surrender is not an option!

I want to encourage you to keep fighting.

The Bible says to "give honor to whom honor is owed" (Romans 13:7). No matter how we choose to celebrate this Memorial Day, let's remember to honor the brave and courageous men and women who have fought and died for our freedom. May their patriotism and their love for God and country inspire us to do something selfless for those around us. Listen to the words of Apostle Paul who says the following... "Those of us who are strong and able in the faith need to step in and lend a hand to those who falter, and not just do what is most convenient for us." Strength is for service, not status. Each one of us needs to look after the good of the people around us, asking ourselves, "How can I help?"

-Roman 15:1-2 MSG

## Sundays

Sunday School—8:45am

Pre-Service Prayer—9:45am

Main Event Worship Service—10:00am

## Monday Nights

Women's Bible Study  
will resume in the Fall!

## Wednesday Nights

Live-Streaming!

6:00pm –6:45pm Fire By Night Prayer

6:45pm Bible Study with Pastor Dave

8:00pm Acoustic Worship with  
Todd Trebony

## *Prayer Requests:*

*Mrs. Giles  
Elke & David  
Joann Daniels  
Willie Brooks  
Yvonne Peoples  
Odessa Murphy  
Daniel & Gwen Gaines  
Jean Myers (Alli's mom)  
Bill Myers (Alli's dad)  
Jacqui Winkelmann*

**NEW TIME AND NEW LOCATION**

**This Sunday at 8:45 in the Oasis**

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# **SUNDAY SCHOOL**

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**The Book Of Exodus**

**When the Holy Spirit reveals Himself in new ways we will be set free from sin, from defeating habit patterns and from limiting mindsets that hold us in survival. The Holy Spirit will break us out of survival and bring us into revival!**

*-Jane Hamon*

## **VERSE OF THE WEEK**

**“But none of these things move me; nor do I count my life dear to myself, so that I may finish my race with joy, and the ministry which I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify to the gospel of the grace of God.”**

**Acts 20:24 NKJV**