

Spiritual _____ is always a possibility. (2 Corinthians 4:4)

- Through shallowness (Mark 4:16-17)
- Through _____ (Luke 21:34-35)
- Through worldliness (1 Corinthians 6:9-11)
- Through persuasion (1 Corinthians 15:33-34)
- Through _____ (Matthew 7:21-23)

Saving attachment to Jesus is evidenced by embracing God's word.

- Through Agreement (Ps 119:42, 75, 86, 128)
As the people of God, we believe the word of God can be trusted in every way to speak what is true, command what is right, and provide us with what is good. – Pastor Kevin DeYoung
- Through _____ (1 John 2:3, Luke 6:46)
- Through _____ (Ps 119:103)
- Through _____ (Deuteronomy 8:3)
- Through perseverance (2 John 1:8-9)

Life-Truth: The first step to being rescued, is to believe you need to be.

- Natural man does not control _____, it controls him. (Rom 6:16)
- Jesus frees authentic disciples from the _____ of sin, as well as its accompanying _____. (Romans 6:17-18, 8:1)
 - He frees them to _____ God joyfully. (2 Cor 5:14)
 - He frees them to actions of great _____.

Freedom is not found in autonomy. True freedom is being released to do what you were made for. (See Ephesians 2:10)



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Selected reading from Philippians 2:1-11: If then there is any encouragement in Christ, if any consolation of love, if any fellowship with the Spirit, if any affection and mercy, ²make my joy complete by thinking the same way, having the same love, united in spirit, intent on one purpose. ³Do nothing out of selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility consider others as more important than yourselves. ⁴Everyone should look out not only for his own interests, but also for the interests of others. ⁵Adopt the same attitude as that of Christ Jesus, ⁶who, existing in the form of God, did not consider equality with God as something to be exploited. ⁷Instead he emptied himself by assuming the form of a servant, taking on the likeness of humanity. And when he had come as a man, ⁸he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death - even to death on a cross. ⁹For this reason God highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰so that at the name of Jesus every knee will bow— in heaven and on earth and under the earth— ¹¹and every tongue will confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Prayer Focus

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From **James 1:2-4** Consider it a great joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you experience various trials, because you know that the testing of your faith produces endurance. And let

endurance have its full effect, so that you may be mature and complete, lacking nothing.

How do we respond to trials?

Upcoming Events

Email info@agapepinson.com for more details.

Wednesday February 27th – **AgapeU spring session** continues @6pm
FREE meal for visitors (*Members are \$5 a person, \$20 a family if possible*).

Agape Ladies' Ministry Meeting – TONIGHT Feb 24th at 6:30pm (Alyson McConnell's house)

Saturday March 16th – **Church "Fun" Day**

Come help get the property in shape for spring! See Walter for details.

Gospel Community Groups

Email GC@agapepinson.com for directions or more details.

Trussville GC (Cleveland): March 2nd, 16th, and 30th at 6pm

Pinson GC (Ledbetter): March 4th and 18th at 6:30pm

Pinson GC (Dean): March 8th and 22nd at 7:00pm

Blount County GC: March 5th (Pounder) and 27th (Talley) at 6:30pm



Sermon: Freed to Serve - Jesus Series #34

John 8:31-40 || David McConnell

³¹ So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed him, "If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, ³² and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." ³³ They answered him, "We are offspring of Abraham and have never been enslaved to anyone. How is it that you say, 'You will become free'?"

³⁴ Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who practices sin is a slave to sin. ³⁵ The slave does not remain in the house forever; the son remains forever. ³⁶ So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed. ³⁷ I know that you are offspring of Abraham; yet you seek to kill me because my word finds no place in you. ³⁸ I speak of what I have seen with my Father, and you do what you have heard from your father." ³⁹ They answered him, "Abraham is our father." Jesus said to them, "If you were Abraham's children, you would be doing the works Abraham did, ⁴⁰ but now you seek to kill me, a man who has told you the truth that I heard from God. This is not what Abraham did.

Big Idea: _____ Christ followers embrace God's word. Jesus sets them free from sin's dominance, and they delight to do works born of _____.