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*The Sermon by Pastor Willie White, Jr.*

*October 18, 2020*

**“GET EXCITED ABOUT GOD:  
WORSHIP MATTERS!!!”**

**PSALM 78:51-58 verse 52 = But made his own people to go forth like sheep and guided them in the wilderness like a flock.**

On yesterday I was able to watch my football games while doing civic duty. Now, one game I was able to watch from start to finish was Alabama versus Georgia game. What I learned while watching this fantastic, awesome and powerful game is there is a big difference between emotion and emotionalism. Emotion is when there's a big play on the field and everybody gets up in excitement about what the players did. Emotionalism is when you get excited and jump up and there is nothing happening on the field.

Let me help you. Mac Jones was the star of the game completing 24 of 32 passes for 417 yards, 4 touchdowns and only 1 interception on the day. Because of his performance the fans went crazy in Tuscaloosa and on social media. Jaylen Waddle and DeVonta Smith both had over 160 receiving yards and 3 combined touchdowns, and the fans went crazy in Tuscaloosa and on social media. Najee Harris carried the ball 31 times for 152 yards and 1 touchdown, and the fans went crazy in Tuscaloosa and on social media. After the game was over, they posted the score Alabama 41 Georgia 24; the fans went crazy in Tuscaloosa and on social media. Alabama fans had something to shout about because their team performed well on yesterday.

Here in our text this morning Asaph is trying to show us that we ought to get excited about God because of His Divine performance and Because of His Divine power.

Grab, Drop & Go Message – “Grab a Sermon, Drop Offering and Go Home” & Parking Lot Worship in Cars - Coronavirus Pandemic 2019-2020

Let us pull three points from our text.

**1: EXCITEMENT (Expressiveness, Intensity, Joy).** Verses 51-53; **My Christian brothers and sisters**, everything we do for God ought to be with excitement. We should speak of God's grace with excitement. We should give with excitement. We should Preach, Pray, and Praise with excitement. **GET EXCITED ABOUT GOD!!!**

**2: EVIDENCE (Clues, Proof, Reasons).** Verses 54-55; Some people won't believe in spite of the evidence. Jesus had performed many miracles, but most people still didn't believe in Him. The evidence is enough for anyone who wants to believe. God never leaves Himself "without a witness." **GET EXCITED ABOUT GOD!!!**

**3: ENVIRONMENT (Home, Place, World).** Verses 56-58; Believers should not let their social environment shape their lives. Look at Lot! Lot had lived so long among ungodly people that he was longer a believable witness for God. He had allowed his environment to shape him, rather than shaping his environment.

**GET EXCITED ABOUT GOD!!!**

I love being your pastor

Hot dog

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS –SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2020**



Today, we salute and thank our Sunday School teachers and staff for their service. Your ministry is an important part of the church and is much appreciated. Thank you to Pastor White, Chief Superintendent; Brother Ricky Britt, Superintendent; Dr. Russell Nichols, Assistant Superintendent, teachers, and staff for your dedication to the Johns Chapel Sunday School ministry. Thanks to the dedicated students as well! May God bless each of you!

--**October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month** – Co-sponsors are the Women's Missionary Society, Sister Constance Jones, President; and the Break Every Chain Health Ministry, Sister Nichole Nichols, Chair. See message below from Sister Nichole:

On last week, **Mrs. Vernetta DeRamus and Mrs. Ann Mills, SURVIVORS**, were saluted. Today, Breast Cancer Awareness information and pink ribbons are available to help in the fight against this disease. Share the info. Share the ribbon. Share the love.

--As of today, Pastor White is transitioning back to **Youth Sunday on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday** of each month. More details to follow.

--Please pray for God's continued protection during the ongoing **Coronavirus Pandemic** and His healing across the land. Please stay abreast of the latest directives. [www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov)  
<https://www.alabamapublichealth.gov> [www.aarp.org](http://www.aarp.org)

**REMEMBER TO WEAR FACE MASKS IN PUBLIC AT ALL TIMES – CHILDREN TOO! MANDATE OF STATE OF ALABAMA – EXTENDED TO NOVEMBER 8, 2020**

--Pastor White presents: **“SERMON DASH”**. You may receive a hard copy and/or a CD/DVD of sermons via text, phone call, e-mail or word of mouth, etc., and we will get the sermon to you.

**OPPORTUNITIES TO WORSHIP & SERVE THIS WEEK – Check e-mails and text messages for info**

--**EACH SUNDAY** – Worship service in cars at **9:00 a.m.** Grab Sermon & Go – **10:45-11:45**; Church School Lesson **12:00 NOON** via conference call. Dial-in # 605-313-5111 Access code 737936.

--**EACH WEDNESDAY** – JC Bible Study via Zoom and conference call - 7:00 p.m. Watch for Zoom invitation in your e-mail and text. Conference call Dial-in # 605-313-5111 Access code 737936.

Congratulations to this week’s Zoom door prize winner: Sister Evadna Kinsey Moment. Good job! Congrats are also in order for previous bible study winners, Sisters Constance Jones, Debra Fay “Ed” Brown, and Marion Griffin. Winning is easy ---- Just join bible study on Zoom on Wednesdays at 6 p.m., and wait for your turn to win the door prize.

--: **Congrats to all of our students** for reaching this milestone in the school year during the Pandemic and making major adjustments! Let us pray for our children! As requested, the following updates were provided to Christian Education Director, Marge Simmons this week. Listed in order received. Other students will be recognized as info is received and/or at the end of the first 9 weeks.

**Shunta McDaniel** – Enterprise High School, Junior. Hybrid schedule 1<sup>st</sup> 9 weeks (in classroom face-to-face two days and other three days virtual). AB honor roll. Shunta is now a member of the Civitan Club and FCCLA (Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America).

**DeVonte Mills**, Coppinville Jr. High School, 8<sup>th</sup> grade. Played football and made the basketball team. Was on hybrid schedule for 1<sup>st</sup> nine weeks. Thank God he’s going back full time.

**DeShaan Mills**, Rucker Blvd Elementary School, 4<sup>th</sup> Grade. All B;s 1 C. Played football for Rec Center on Team Enterprise 1. Attended in classroom 1<sup>st</sup> nine weeks.

**Aziya Purcell**. 10<sup>th</sup> grade. Enterprise High School. A-B honor roll. In classroom 1<sup>st</sup> nine weeks. Plays volleyball and basketball.

**Andrew Purcell**, 8<sup>th</sup> grade, Good grades for 1<sup>st</sup> nine weeks. He plays football and basketball.

**Aden Hendrix**, 3<sup>rd</sup> grade. All A’s & B’s and one C. Plays Rec Center Basketball.

**Aidan Williams** – 7<sup>th</sup> grade at K12 Alabama Destinations Career Academy. In the Cooking Club and Fitness Club. No sports right now. 1<sup>st</sup> nine weeks ongoing.

**Ace Williams** – 3<sup>rd</sup> grade at K12 Alabama Destinations Career Academy. In Cooking Club and Fitness Club. No sports right now. 1<sup>st</sup> nine weeks ongoing.

**Kaleb Lawson**, 3<sup>rd</sup> grade at The Carver School for Mathematics and Science in Dothan. Virtual classroom 1<sup>st</sup> nine weeks. No sports at this time. 1<sup>st</sup> nine weeks ongoing, ends Nov 4. In ALEKS Math program. Progress goal was 25% by end of 1<sup>st</sup> nine weeks. Already at .40%

**Watch for more updates on our youth.**



-- Thank you to all who purchased Belk Charity Day tickets from members of the JC WMS. Congrats to Mrs. Dorothy Holmes, top ticket seller!

--**October is also National Bullying Prevention Month** – Highlight sponsored by Christian Education Department

"Never be bullied into silence. Never allow yourself to be made a victim. Accept no one's definition of your life, but define yourself."



"Be yourself, because  
the people who mind  
don't matter. And the  
people that matter,  
don't mind."

- Dr Seuss

--**Hallelujah Night** will be held on this Saturday, October 31 here at the church, sponsored by the JC YPD and Richard Allen Young Adult Council (RAYAC). Auxiliaries are asked to decorate a table and include treats. Individuals are asked to donate treats for the children. More details from Nikki Mills.

**HALLELUJAH NIGHT  
GRAB BAG WALK THRU**  
FREE CANDIES FOR ALL CHILDREN

**When: October 31, 2020**  
**Time: 5:00-8:00 p.m.**  
**Where: Johns Chapel AME Church**  
**605 Geneva Highway**  
**Enterprise, Alabama 36330**

IN COMPLIANCE WITH SOCIAL DISTANCING, WE  
ASK THAT ALL PERSONS PLEASE WEAR A MASK.

For more info:  
Contact Nikki Mills, RAYAC President  
334-389-6427  
Rev. Willie White Jr., Pastor



--On next Sunday, October 25, Johns Chapel will be the host church for the **Welcome Program for Presiding Elder Marshall, Mrs. Kimberly Huggins Marshall, and Joshua Marshall.** For more info, please see Pastor White or Dr. Stafford Thompson.



**--Our Annual Family & Friends Day Celebration** will be held on Sunday, November 8. We will have a Spirit-filled celebration and a 12 tribes fund raiser. More details from Brother Ed Brown and Sister Debra Fay “Ed” Brown, Chairpersons.

--**9<sup>th</sup> District Lay Meeting – Nov 21** via Zoom. Last day to register is Oct 31. Registration fee is \$25. Please see Dr. Nichols or Marge Simmons for more info.

--**JC MEMBERS ARE OBEYING THE LAW AND RESPONDING TO THE CENSUS.** -- Pastor White is asking Class Leaders to please check on all class members to see how they are doing and also inquire if they have completed the Census. If not, please emphasize the importance, and let them know help is available.

**Volunteers:** LauReen McDaniel 334-470-1816; Franklin Simmons 334-494-2377; & Marge Simmons 334-477-1962. **27 Households reporting! OUTSTANDING!** If you have not completed the census, please do so today and let Sister Marge know. Check out the website [www.census2020.gov](http://www.census2020.gov) and encourage others to respond.

**Last day to respond to the Census is October 31. See message on next page. Please encourage family and friends to respond TODAY!**

**PRAYER LIST Week of October 18-24, 2020**

- Sister Annie Pearl Allen (wife of Brother Roland)
- Sister Eleanor Bailey
- Sister Thelma Bailey–100-year-old member doing well at home in Tennessee
- Sister Jennifer Bigham
- Sister Debra D. Brown -Address: 74 Davis Street, Charles Town, WV 25414
- Sister Geraldine Booth, SE Health, Dothan**
- Brother Mack Chambers, Sister LaToya Chambers, Larissa, Layla & Landric Chambers – Bereavement
- Sister Brenda Crawford
- Caiden M. Gary, Grandson of Sis C. Jones
- Ms Fay, lives in another state – A believer asked us to pray for her sister to have a closer walk with God
- Sister Annie Pearl Frazier
- Sister Ruby Grayer
- Sister Dorothy Holmes



- Sister Kim Jackson—Sister of Bro. Golden
- Sister Vivian Johnson
- The Family of Sister Mable Mays- Bereavement
- Sister Gay Nell Miley – Bereavement
- Sister Ann McGaughey
- Sister Lynette Robinson & Family - Bereavement
- Sister Jackie Scott
- Sister Betty Simmons
- Sister Rosetta White & Brother Willie White, Sr. — Parents of Pastor White
- Sister Johnnie Sanders
- Brother Larry Wilson—Husband of Sis. Shun Wilson
- Sister Eloise Williams
- The United States of America & the World
- \*New entries in bold print**
- Remember to pray for and check on our shut-in members.**



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**



Oct 19 Evelyn Gibson Bonner  
Oct 19 Quianna Harris  
Oct 19 Aidan Russell Williams  
Oct 19 Alyssa Nicole Mote

Oct 24 Brett Simmons  
Oct 24 Alex Hutchinson  
Oct 24 Lakwan Jackson

**NO ANNIVERSARIES ON RECORD THIS WEEK.**

**The Great Pink Pumpkin Contest  
In honor of Breast Cancer Awareness  
Sponsored by Johns Chapel WMS & Break Every Chain Health Ministry**

**Pink Pumpkins for the Cure**

**RULES**

**Each submission must have a Breast Cancer Awareness Theme.**

1. The main part of each entry must be a pumpkin or a member of the pumpkin family.
2. Pumpkin may not be carved, cut or hollowed out in any way.
3. Use of paints (acrylics are a good choice) and decorations are allowed. Hot glue may be used.
4. Pumpkins, objects and materials used to decorate pumpkins may not be reclaimed until after the contest, under any circumstances
5. Objects, paper and materials of any kind may be pinned or glued to pumpkins. Participants may also draw or paint on their entries or dress them up. Again, do not carve or hollow out your pumpkin.
6. Each entry must have a title.
7. All pumpkins must be submitted Sunday morning, October 25, before morning worship service.
8. Pumpkins shall be picked up no later than Thursday, October 31. Any pumpkin not picked up will be discarded.
9. All entrants should write their name on the **BOTTOM** of the pumpkin in a permanent marker.

**THANK YOU!**

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**YOUR VOTE COUNTS!  
VOTER REGISTRATION DATES:  
Sunday, October 18, 2020  
1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.  
Monday, October  
Monday, October 19, 2020  
11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.**

**TO BE HELD AT:  
Piggly Wiggly  
1002 Geneva Highway  
Enterprise, Alabam**

**Deadline to Register to VOTE is Monday, October 19, 2020, 4:30 p.m.** Please register so you will be able to VOTE in the General Election on Tuesday, November 3, 2020

**“EVERY VOTER NEEDS TO VOTE IN EVERY ELECTION”**

**MASK UP ENTERPRISE!  
We thank you for wearing a face mask!  
For more information, please contact Allie Bell-Reddick  
494-0479 or Nettie Garth, 347-9426**