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Sunday Mornings Messages

**July 3 – “Comforted by Calamity”
(Ezekiel 14:12-23)**

Pastor Anthony Whitlatch (8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 Worship Center)
PIT Nathan Pipe (11:00 Upper Room)

**July 10 – “Do Not Be Unfaithful”
(Ezekiel 15:1-8)**

Pastor Anthony Whitlatch (8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 Worship Center)
PIT Nathan Pipe (11:00 Upper Room)

**July 17 – “Our Desperate Need for Grace”
(Ezekiel 16:1-6)**

Pastor Anthony Whitlatch (8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 Worship Center)
PIT Nathan Pipe (11:00 Upper Room)

**July 24 – “Misusing the Gifts of God”
(Ezekiel 16:7-43)**

Pastor Anthony Whitlatch (8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 Worship Center)
PIT Nathan Pipe (11:00 Upper Room)

Sunday Evening Messages

**June 26 – “What is Pure and Undeified Religion?”
(James 1:19-27) PIT Tom Croke**

July 3 – No PM Service

**July 10 – “Partiality Is Against the Royal Law”
(James 2:1-9) PIT Stephen Tunncliffe**

“Stumbling Blocks”

June 26, 2022
Pastor Anthony Whitlatch

Ezekiel 14:1 – *Then some elders of Israel came to me and sat down before me.*

Ezekiel 14:2 – *And the word of the Lord came to me, saying,*

Ezekiel 14:3 – *“Son of man, these men have set up their idols in their hearts and have put right before their faces the stumbling block of their iniquity. Should I be consulted by them at all?”*

- Two things God knows about these men
 1. They Worship Idols in their _____
 2. They Worship _____ idols in Babylon

Ezekiel 14:4 – *“Therefore speak to them and tell them, Thus says the Lord God, “Any man of the house of Israel who sets up his idols in his heart, puts right before his face the stumbling block of his iniquity, and then comes to the prophet, I the Lord will be brought to give him an answer in the matter in view of the multitude of his idols,*

Ezekiel 14:5 – *in order to lay hold of the hearts of the house of Israel who are estranged from Me through all their idols.”*

- The purpose of God speaking to them in their wickedness was to _____ hearts led astray by idolatry

Ezekiel 14:6 – *“Therefore say to the house of Israel, Thus says the Lord God, “Repent and turn away from your idols and turn your faces away from all your abominations.*

- The answer to the idolater is _____

Ezekiel 14:7 – *“For anyone of the house of Israel or of the immigrants who stay in Israel who separates himself from Me, sets up his idols in his heart, puts right before his face the stumbling block of his iniquity, and then comes to the prophet to inquire of Me for himself, I the Lord will be brought to answer him in My own person.*

Ezekiel 14:8 – *“I will set My face against that man and make him a sign and a proverb, and I will cut him off from among My people. So you will know that I am the Lord.*

- If I try to approach God in my Idolatry, I approach Him as an _____

Repentance is Key to Approaching God

False/Counterfeit repentance is almost always motivated by _____

1. Only _____ guilty, troubled and in pain (emotional and mental)
2. Making _____ vows/resolutions
3. _____ one sin for another
4. Leaving sin to _____ consequences (selfishness)

What is true repentance?

1. Seeing sin as _____
 - a. Ezekiel 12:2 – *“Son of man, you live in the midst of the rebellious house, who have eyes to see but do not see, ears to hear but do not hear; for they are a rebellious house.*

- b. There can be no true repentance if truth and morality are _____
2. Responds with _____ for sin
3. Involves _____
4. Having _____ for sin
- a. Ezekiel 43:10 – *In the thickness of the wall of the court toward the east, facing the separate area and facing the building, there were chambers.*
- b. Ezekiel 43:11 – *The way in front of them was like the appearance of the chambers which were on the north, according to their length so was their width, and all their exits were both according to their arrangements and openings.*
5. _____ ALL sin
- a. Truly repentant believers will _____ with sin, but they will not secretly _____ sin
6. _____ from sin
- a. Motivated by _____ God