

Welcome to Promise Land Bible Church
We're glad you're here!





Praise and Prayer Request

Philippians 1:3-6 I thank my God in all my remembrance of you, always in every prayer of mine for you all making my prayer with joy, because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now. And I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ.

An open Bible is shown from a low angle, looking up at the pages. The pages are filled with text, but it is out of focus. The background is a bright blue sky with wispy white clouds. The text 'Call to Worship' and 'Psalm 15' is overlaid in the center of the image in a large, bold, black font.

Call to Worship

Psalm 15

Psalm 15 of David. O LORD, who shall sojourn in your tent? Who shall dwell on your holy hill? He who walks blamelessly and does what is right and speaks truth in his heart; who does not slander with his tongue and does no evil to his neighbor, nor takes up a reproach against his friend; in whose eyes a vile person is despised, but who honors those who fear the LORD; who swears to his own hurt and does not change; who does not put out his money at interest and does not take a bribe against the innocent. He who does these things shall never be moved.

Blessed Assurance

Hymn 67



More Love to Thee

Hymn 476



Receiving of the Offering



2 Cor. 9:5 So I thought it necessary to urge the brothers to go on ahead to you and arrange in advance for the gift you have promised, so that it may be ready **as a willing gift**, not as an exaction.

Famous Quote:

“Save some, O Christians! By all means, save some. From yonder flames and outer darkness, and the weeping, wailing, and gnashing of teeth, seek to save some! Let this, as in the case of the apostle, be your great, ruling object in life, that by all means you might save some.”

CHARLES SPURGEON



Today's Message
“Leaving Babylon”

A Call to Holiness

Scripture text: Revelation Ch 18:1-8

Babylon was not only an ancient city and a powerful empire, but also **the symbol of mankind's rebellion against God**. In Revelation 18, **Babylon** represents the world system of "the beast," particularly in its economic and political aspects.

Revelation 18:4-5 Then I heard another voice from heaven saying, "**Come out of her, my people, lest you take part in her sins, lest you share in her plagues;** for her sins are heaped high as heaven, and God has remembered her iniquities.

There is here a **separation of God's People** from that of the world or those against Almighty God.

Come out of her, my people, lest you take part in her sins,

Note: it says "**my people**". It is those who not only hear the Word of God but those who obey the Word of God.

James 1:22-24 But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves. For if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man who looks intently at his natural face in a mirror. For he looks at himself and goes away and at once forgets what he was like.

2 Corinthians 6:16-18 What agreement has the temple of God with idols? For **we are the temple of the living God**; as God said, "I will make my dwelling among them and walk among them, and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. Therefore go out from their midst, and **be separate from them**, says the Lord, and touch no unclean thing; then I will welcome you, and **I will be a father to you, and you shall be sons and daughters to me**, says the Lord Almighty."

Matthew 24:15-20 "So when you see the abomination of desolation spoken of by the prophet Daniel, standing in the holy place (let the reader understand), then let those who are in Judea **flee to the mountains**. Let the one who is on the housetop not go down to take what is in his house, and let the one who is in the field not turn back to take his cloak. And alas for women who are pregnant and for those who are nursing infants in those days! **Pray that your flight may not be in winter or on a Sabbath.**

Isaiah 48:18-22 Oh that **you had paid attention to my commandments!** Then your peace would have been like a river, and your righteousness like the waves of the sea; your offspring would have been like the sand, and your descendants like its grains; their name would never be cut off or destroyed from before me." **Go out from Babylon, flee from Chaldea, declare this with a shout of joy, proclaim it, send it out to the end of the earth;** say, "The LORD has redeemed his servant Jacob!" They did not thirst when he led them through the deserts; he made water flow for them from the rock; he split the rock and the water gushed out. **"There is no peace," says the LORD, "for the wicked."**

Isaiah 52:11 Depart, depart, go out from there; touch no unclean thing; go out from the midst of her; **purify yourselves**, you who bear the vessels of the LORD.

Jeremiah 51:8 Suddenly Babylon has fallen and been broken; wail for her! Take balm for her pain; perhaps she may be healed. We would have healed Babylon, but **she was not healed**. **Forsake her, and let us go each to his own country, for her judgment has reached up to heaven** and has been lifted up even to the skies.

“Come out of her, my people, lest you take part in her sins,”

Titus 2:11 For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation for all people, **training us to renounce ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright, and godly lives in the present age,** waiting for our blessed hope, the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, who gave himself for us to redeem us from all lawlessness and to purify for himself a people for his own possession who are **zealous for good works.**

To leave Babylon ... we must have this mindset!

Psalm 101:1-4 A Psalm of David. I will sing of steadfast love and justice; to you, O LORD, I will make music. **I will ponder the way that is blameless.** Oh when will you come to me? **I will walk with integrity of heart within my house; I will not set before my eyes anything that is worthless.** I hate the work of those who fall away; it shall not cling to me. A perverse heart shall be far from me; **I will know nothing of evil.**

John 10:2-5 But he who enters by the door is the shepherd of the sheep. To him the gatekeeper opens. **The sheep hear his voice, and he calls his own sheep by name and leads them out.** When he has brought out all his own, he goes before them, and **the sheep follow him, for they know his voice.** A stranger they will not follow, but they will flee from him, for they do not know the voice of strangers."

You can come out of Babylon, when you hear His voice and follow His instructions!

Matthew 2:13-15 Now when they had departed, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, "**Rise, take the child and his mother, and flee to Egypt, and remain there until I tell you, for Herod is about to search for the child, to destroy him.**" And **he rose and took the child and his mother by night and departed to Egypt and remained there until the death of Herod.** This was to fulfill what the Lord had spoken by the prophet, "Out of Egypt I called my son."

Act 9:10-12 Now there was a disciple at Damascus named Ananias. The **Lord said to him in a vision**, "Ananias." And he said, "Here I am, Lord." And **the Lord said to him**, "Rise and go to the street called Straight, and at the house of Judas look for a man of Tarsus named Saul, for behold, he is praying, and he has seen in a vision a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him so that he might regain his sight."

Act 9:13-17 But Ananias answered, "Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much evil he has done to your saints at Jerusalem. And here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who call on your name." But the **Lord said to him, "Go, for he is a chosen instrument of mine** to carry my name before the Gentiles and kings and the children of Israel. For I will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name." So Ananias departed and entered the house. And laying his hands on him he said, "Brother Saul, the **Lord Jesus who appeared to you** on the road by which you came has **sent me** so that you may regain your sight and **be filled with the Holy Spirit.**"

John 10:14-17 I am the good shepherd. **I know my own and my own know me**, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for the sheep. And I have other sheep that are not of this fold. I must bring them also, and **they will listen to my voice**. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life that I may take it up again.

John 17:3 And this is eternal life, **that they know you the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent**.

1 Thessalonians 4:2-7 For you know what instructions we gave you through the Lord Jesus. **For this is the will of God, your sanctification:** that you abstain from sexual immorality; that each one of you know how to control his own body **in holiness and honor**, not in the passion of lust like the Gentiles who do not know God; that no one transgress and wrong his brother in this matter, because the Lord is an avenger in all these things, as we told you beforehand and solemnly warned you. **For God has not called us for impurity, but in holiness.**

2 Timothy 1:8-9 Therefore do not be ashamed of the testimony about our Lord, nor of me his prisoner, but share in suffering for the gospel by the power of God, **who saved us and called us to a holy calling, not because of our works but because of his own purpose and grace,** which he gave us in Christ Jesus before the ages began,

Hebrews 12:14-16 Strive for peace with everyone, and **for the holiness without which no one will see the Lord.** See to it that no one fails to obtain the grace of God; that no "root of bitterness" springs up and causes trouble, and by it many become defiled; that no one is sexually immoral or unholy like Esau, who sold his birthright for a single meal.

1 John 3:1-5 See what kind of love the Father has given to us, **that we should be called children of God; and so we are.** The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, **we are God's children now,** and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. And **everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.** Everyone who makes a practice of sinning also practices lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. You know that he appeared to take away sins, and in him there is no sin.

Ephesians 5:25-27 Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her, that **he might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word, so that he might present the church to himself in splendor, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, that she might be holy and without blemish.**

Exodus 19:5 Now therefore, if you will indeed obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession among all peoples, for all the earth is mine; and **you shall be to me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.** These are the words that you shall speak to the people of Israel."

1 Peter 1:13-17 Therefore, preparing your minds for action, and being sober-minded, **set your hope fully on the grace that will be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ.** As obedient children, do not be conformed to the passions of your former ignorance, but **as he who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct,** since it is written, "**You shall be holy, for I am holy.**" And if you call on him as Father who judges impartially according to each one's deeds, **conduct yourselves with fear throughout the time of your exile,**

James 1:12-16 Blessed is the man **who remains steadfast under trial**, for when he has stood the test he will receive the crown of life, which God has promised to those who love him. Let no one say when he is tempted, "I am being tempted by God," for God cannot be tempted with evil, and he himself tempts no one. But **each person is tempted when he is lured and enticed by his own desire. Then desire when it has conceived gives birth to sin, and sin when it is fully grown brings forth death.** Do not be deceived, my beloved brothers.

2 Peter 3:10-13 But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, and then the heavens will pass away with a roar, and the heavenly bodies will be burned up and dissolved, and the earth and the works that are done on it will be exposed. Since all these things are thus to be dissolved, **what sort of people ought you to be in lives of holiness and godliness, waiting for and hastening the coming of the day of God**, because of which the heavens will be set on fire and dissolved, and the heavenly bodies will melt as they burn! **But according to his promise we are waiting for new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells.**

2 Corinthians 5:16-20 From now on, therefore, we regard no one according to the flesh. Even though we once regarded Christ according to the flesh, we regard him thus no longer. Therefore, **if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away;** behold, the new has come. All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. Therefore, **we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us.** We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God.

Just as I Am

Hymn 417

