# Days of Elijah



Welcome To Long Beach Allance Church Sunday, November 15, 2020

# FOUNDATIONS CLASSES

# **ENGAGING THE ADVENTURE**

Each week we will learn exciting methods for reading and understanding the broad variety of literature contained in the Bible. We will examine resources available for Bible study, as we engage the great adventure of reading the Word of God!

Led by Pastor Chris » 11:30AM Sundays

Click here to connect to Meeting ID 948 7133 0274. Password: TheBible

# GOSPEL PROJECT: CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

We will be offering a short Gospel Project lesson and discussion, with some worksheets and crafts for the kids. Materials are age-specific, preschool through 5th grade. Meetings will be about 30-45 minutes.

Led by Meghan Brearley » 9:30AM Sundays

Click here to connect to Meeting ID 827 0107 5881. Password: 970031

# WHY ON EARTH ARE YOU A CHRISTIAN?

Continue to explore the elements that formed the early church, enabling them to navigate difficult circumstances. We will learn from the ancient church and how our faith can flourish today.

Led by Pastor Scott » 4PM Sundays, in Pastor Scott's backyard
To sign up for this class send an email to: scott@lbac.org

# GIVE CHRISTMAS TO A CHILD IN FOSTER CARE

# TOY DRIVE



SUPPORT THE TOY DRIVE BY BRINGING IN BRAND NEW UNWRAPPEDGIFTS FOR

BOYS and GIRLS AGES 14-18 yrs. old OR \$25 GIFT CARDS

All items MUST be turned in by Sunday, November 29, 2020

Email office@lbac.org with questions





# Worship Songs ~ Sunday, November 15, 2020

# All I have is Christ

# V-1

I once was lost in darkest night Yet thought I knew the way The sin that promised joy and life Had led me to the grave I had no hope, that You would own A rebel to Your will And if You had not loved me first I would refuse You still

# V-2

But as I ran my hell bound race Indifferent to the cost You looked upon my helpless state And led me to the cross And I beheld, God's love displayed You suffered in my place You bore the wrath reserved for me Now all I know is grace

# Chorus

Hallelujah, all I have is Christ Hallelujah, Jesus is my life (2x)

# V-3

Now Lord I would be Yours alone And live so all might see The strength to follow Your commands Could never come from me O Father use my ransomed life In any way You choose And let my song forever be My only boast is You

# Chorus

Hallelujah, all I have is Christ Hallelujah, Jesus is my life (2x)

# Jesus Paid it All

# V-1

I hear the Savior say Your strength indeed is small Child of weakness watch and pray Find in me your all in all

# Chorus

Jesus paid it all, all to him I owe Sin had left a crimson stain He washed it white as snow

# **V-2**

Lord now indeed I find Your power and Yours alone Can change the leper's spots And melt the heart of stone

# Chorus

Jesus paid it all, all to him I owe Sin had left a crimson stain He washed it white as snow

# V-3

For nothing good have I Whereby Your grace to claim I'll wash my garments white In the blood of Calvary's Lamb

# Chorus

Jesus paid it all, all to him I owe Sin had left a crimson stain He washed it white as snow

# V-4

And when before the throne I stand in Him complete Jesus died my soul to save My lips shall still repeat!

# Chorus

Jesus paid it all, all to him I owe Sin had left a crimson stain

# (Jesus Paid It All cont.) He washed it white as snow

# Outro:

Oh praise the One, who paid my debt And raised this life up from the grave (4x)

# Confession

Loving God, We confess before You and each other That our lives are not pure and holy And cannot be without the Cleansing work of Jesus.

We confess that too often
Jesus is hidden
because of our actions.
We often hurt those around us
Rather than encourage them.
We often tear people down
Rather than build them up.

Open our eyes that we may see You In people around us. Open our ears that we may be Quicker to listen and slower to speak. Open our mouths to speak good Rather than bad things Of our neighbors.

Open our hands in generosity Relax our clenched fists. Open our hearts in desire To follow Jesus in full obedience.

We pray trusting in Your forgiveness, Guide us in Jesus' name, Amen.

# I Lift My Eyes Up

# Verse

I lift my eyes up, to the mountains
Where does my help come from My help comes from You
Maker of heaven, Creator of the earth (2x)

# Chorus

Oh how I need You Lord, You are my only hope You are my only prayer So I will wait for You To come and rescue me To come and give me life (To Verse)

# Speak O Lord

Speak, O Lord, as we come to You To receive the food Of Your Holy Word. Take Your truth, plant it deep in us; Shape and fashion us in Your likeness, That the light of Christ Might be seen today In our acts of love And our deeds of faith. Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us All Your purposes for Your glory.

# I Will Trust My Savior Jesus V-1

I will trust my Savior, Jesus
When my darkest doubts befall
Trust him when
to simply trust him
Is the hardest thing of all
V-2

I will trust my Savior, Jesus Trust him when my strength is small (I Will Trust My Savior...cont.) For I know the shield of Jesus Is the safest place of all

# Chorus

Jesus, only Jesus, Help me trust you more and more Jesus, only Jesus, May my heart be ever Yours

# V-3

I will trust my Savior, Jesus He has said His way is best For I know the path He's chosen Leads to everlasting rest

# Chorus

Jesus, only Jesus, Help me trust you more and more Jesus, only Jesus, May my heart be ever Yours (2x)

# Bridge

Oh on the cross, how it was seen I can go now ever trusting In the one, who died for me What can I bring, For Your gift is complete So I trust You, simply trust You Lord, with every part of me (3x)

# Chorus

Jesus, only Jesus, Help me trust you more and more Jesus, only Jesus, May my heart be ever Yours (2x)

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# Where Are Your Blindspots?

2 Kings 6:8-23

# I. Do you trust in false notions about the Kingdom of God?

- A. Relying on the faith of other people? 2 Kings 6:8-10
- B. Focusing on man rather than God? 2 Kings 6:11-12
- C. Thinking that religious superstition will solve your problems? 2 Kings 6:13
- D. Depending on position and power to resolve your issues? 2 Kings 6:14

### II. Do you rely on means other than God to see spiritual truth?

KEY WORD "see": 2 Kings 6:13, 17 (twice), 20 (twice), 21; also "blindness" 6:18 twice)

1 Corinthians 2:14; 2 Corinthians 3:12-16; 4:3-4; John 3:3; 9:39-41

## III. Do you neglect the mighty provision of God's resources?

2 Kings 6:15-17; angels and <u>you:</u> Psalm 34:7; 91:11; Hebrews 1:14; Matthew 26:53 BONUS SECTIONS #1-5

### IV. Do you resist your calling to share your vision with the world around you?

KEY WORD: "send": 2 Kings 6:13, 14, 23; see 1 Kings 17:7-24; 20:23-30; 2 Kings 5 BONUS SECTIONS #7-8

Matthew 24:14; 28:18-20; Mark 16:15; Luke 24:47; John 20:21; Acts 1:8; 8:1

# BONUS SECTION #1-5: God's Provision: Some Very Partial Lists #1. God's Material Provision: #2. God's Provision in General:

#1. God's Material Provision:

Psalm 37:25; 84:11; 111:5

Proverbs 3:9-10; 11:25; 22:9

Malachi 3:10

Matthew 6:25-34; Luke 12:22-34

Luke 6:38

#2. God's Provision

Psalm 23:1-6

Psalm 34:10

Psalm 46:1

Psalm 91: all of it!

John 1:16

Luke 6:38 John 1:16 2 Corinthians 9:8-11 Romans 1:17

Philippians 4:19 Ephesians 1:18-20! 2:7!

Hebrews 13:5

## #3. God's Provision in Response to Prayer:

| Matthew 6:6   | John 14:12-14     | Ephesians 1:19 | Hebrews 4:16    |
|---------------|-------------------|----------------|-----------------|
| 7:7-11        | 15:7              | 2:18           | 10:19-22        |
| 18:19-20      | 15:16             | 3:20           | 1 John 3:22     |
| Mark 11:24    | 16:23-24          | James 1:5      | 5:14-15         |
| Luke 11:9-13  | Romans 8:26       | 4:8            | Psalm 34:15, 17 |
| 18:7-8        | 10:12             | 4:10           | 37:4-5          |
| Jeremiah 33:3 | Philippians 4:6-7 | 1 Peter 5:7    | 84:11           |

# #4. God's Provision and "All Things"

Romans 8:28 Romans 8:32 1 Corinthians 3:21-23 Philippians 4:13 2 Peter 1:3

### #5. What is God's Greatest Provision?

John 3:16 John 15:1-5 Romans 3:24-25 Ephesians 2:4-10

Hebrews 2:9-10, 14-15; 7:25-27; 9:22-28

### BONUS SECTION #6: "It's Time to Play THWART THE PROPHET!"

1 Kings 19:1-2; 2 Kings 9:30-37 1 Kings 22:7-28, 34-38 2 Kings 1:9-17 2 Kings 2:23-24 2 Kings 6:11-23 2 Chronicles 24:19-26

2 Chronicles 16:7-12 Amos 7:10-17 Jeremiah 20:1-6 Jeremiah 26:20-23; 36:29-31

Jeremiah 36 Jeremiah 37:11-17

### BONUS SECTION #7: The Structure of 2 Kings 6:8-23

### 8-14 INTRODUCTION:

### Ba King of Syria presents ongoing problems for Israel

8b-10 Crisis for King Jehoram! God resolves it through Elisha

11-14 Crisis for Elisha!

### 15-16 CRISIS PRESENTED! Dialogue between Elisha and is servant

- 17 Speech (same as verse 20!) followed by action
- 18 Speech followed by action
- 19 Speech followed by action
- 20 Speech (same as verse 17!) followed by action

21-23a CRISIS RESOLVED! Dialogue between Elisha and King Jehoram

# 23b CONCLUSION: God resolves ongoing problems through Elisha

## BONUS OUTLINE #8: Seven Easy Ways to Be a Witness: Tell Your Own Story

- 1. Talk about how Jesus has brought you out of guilt, despair or distress.
- 2. Talk about how Jesus has transformed your character.
- 3. Talk about how Jesus has answered your prayers.
- 4. Talk about how Jesus has brought you through difficult times.
- 5. Talk about how Jesus has given you victory over temptation.
- 6. Talk about how Jesus has given you hope for the future.
- 7. Talk about how Jesus has given you victory over death or a serious illness.

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# **SERMON & GROWTH GROUP NOTES**



# ICE BREAKER

Do you plan for this Thanksgiving/Christmas season to be as normal as possible or expect it to be much different?

# IN-DEPTH

- Read 2 Kings 6:8-23
- Discuss what you learned from this week's sermon

# 1. God's Revelation (verses 8-12)

- A. Why is the king of Syria (Aram) frustrated? What is the true source of his aggravation?
- B. What are some other examples in the Bible of God revealing things to people?
- C. Read <u>2 Timothy 3:16</u>; <u>2 Peter 1:20-21</u>; <u>1 Corinthians 2:13</u>; <u>Hebrews 1:1-2</u>. What do these verses say about God's revelation in scripture? Why can we have confidence in our Bibles?

# 2. God's Protection (verses 13-19)

A. Why is the king of Syria (Aram) frustrated? What is the true source of his aggravation?

| D. What do each of these teach us about God's protection:   |  |
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| 1. 2 Samuel 22:3-4  |  |
| 2. Psalm 23:1-4   |  |
| 3. 1 Corinthians 10:13  |  |
| 4. 2 Thessalonians 3:3  |  |
| 5. <u>John 10:28-29</u>   |  |
| 3. God's Mercy (verses 20-23)   |  |
| A. Read <u>1 Peter 1:3</u> ; <u>Hebrews 4:16</u> . What do Elisha and these versed teach us about God's mercy?                                    |  |
| B. <u>Luke 6:36-38</u> ; <u>Matthew 7:12</u> ; <u>Ephesians 4:32</u> . How should mercy be demonstrated in the lives of Christians?               |  |
| MAKING IT RELEVANT  |  |
| <ol> <li>God knew the king of Syria's secret plans. God knows our secrets and plans, too. Does that give yo<br/>comfort or discomfort?</li> </ol> |  |
| 2How has God revealed truth to you recently?  |  |
| 3. Do you believe angels still play a role in protecting us today?  |  |
| 4. Elisha returned good for evil to this army. Are you inclined to do the same? An example in your life?  |  |

All Men and Women (High School Junior and above) are invited to the:



Come enjoy Lunch Activities Fellowship

Need childcare? Call Deya Slade for a childcare voucher

# CANDY CANE CONNECTIO

Saturday, December 5, 2020 11:30AM @ LBAC

Tickety \$5.00 Available Starting Sunday, November 22 Have questions or want to sign up for a ticket?

> Please call/text Deya Slade @ 562-761-5464 John Moses @ 562-755-0920



LBAC Men's & Women's Ministries



# PLEASE EXCUSE OUR MESS

The courtyard is being renovated for proper water drainage and flow



# LBAC Year-to-Date Financial Report

Budget Received Budget %

Weekly \$12,803.78 Month-to-Date: \$25,607.56

Yeartto-Date:

\$128,037.80

\$6,224.88

48.6%

\$12,260.27

47.9%

Disbursed YTD: \$123,786.00

\$109,188.59 85.3% GF Balance: \$26,097.20\*

\*Denotes General Fund (GF) balance after subtracting \$47,232.00 of Paycheck Protection Plan (PPP) Small Business Loan funds, LBAC's application has been submitted for the promised complete loan ongiveness and is expected soon. Until then, we will report the GF balance with PPP funds subtracted.

# **LBAC's Family Calendar & Events**

# Sunday, November 15

9:30AM Gospel Project Kids' Class

Parking Lot & Livestream 10:30AM

Worship & Celebration!

**Engaging the Adventure Class** 12:30PM 4:00PM Why Are You a Christian Class

# MISSIONS

Link-to-LBAC-Missions!

# **GROWTH GROUPS**

Link to LBAC Growth Groups!

Mid-week Adult Bible Studies

# CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

Link to LBAC Children's Ministries!

Sunday Mornings: Gospel Project @ 9:30AM Fun-N-Funky @ 11:15AM

### **AWANA**

Link to LBAC AWANA

Wednesday Nights September through May

# YOUTH MINISTRIES

Link to LBAC Youth Ministries!

Regular Ministry Schedule & Contacts

Click Here For Youth Group Live Stream Events Every Tuesday & Thursday Night @ 7:00PM

# WOMEN'S MINISTRIES

Link to LBAC Women's Ministry!

Women's Ministry Event Information Contact: deya@charter.net

Lydia House Meals Ministry Contact: mcoliver789@msn.com

**Women Connecting with Missions** 3rd Tuesday each month @ 7:00PM

Crafty Women

2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday each month @ 10:00AM

### MEN'S MINISTRIES

Link to LBAC Men's Ministry! Contact: mensministry@lbac.org

# Monday, November 16

Pure Desire In-Person & Zoom Mtg 7:00PM 7:00PM SIA In-Person & Zoom Mtg

# Tuesday, November 17

10:00AM Staff Team Meeting

7:00PM Youth Group In-Person (HS)

# Thursday, November 19

7:00PM Youth Group In-Person (JH)

# Friday, November 20

8:00PM NA In-Person & **Zoom** Mtg.

# Sunday, November 22

Gospel Project Kids' Class 9:30AM

Parking Lot & Livestream 10:30AM

Worship & Celebration!

12:30PM **Engaging the Adventure Class** 4:00PM

Why Are You a Christian Class

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