

Trinity Bible Church

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The Prophet Joel

Announcements:

Sunday Apr 26 Deacons' Meeting.
Wednesday Apr 29 Fellowship luncheon at *The Bricktown Brewery* in Mustang @ 11:00.
Between the Testaments.
Sunday May 03 The Lord's Table.
May 06 Fellowship luncheon at *The LoKal* in Mustang @ 11:00.

- ** The Lord has blessed us with some TV time on a new ROKU channel. Classes will run for an hour, seven days a week from 7-8 p.m. More information to come.
- ** How about Alaska for 2-4 weeks this summer on a mission trip to seafarers? See Drue.
- ** Anyone who wishes to be part of any committee, please see Kelvin. Follow the Lord's leading.
- ** Please let Pam Farley know if you are able to attend the Wednesday luncheon. 405-618-2279
- ** Men's Fellowship Breakfasts are meeting at Olde Orchard, Saturday @ 0730. Please look for an email for your response.

	March	Total 2026	General Fund	Building Fund	Missions 2026
Income	\$11,154.00	\$33,456.54		\$ 15,928.86	\$ 3,437.00
Expenses	(8,558.77)	(24,258.15)		Missions Balance	(2,749.07)
Balance	\$2,595.23	\$9,198.39	\$50,258.85	\$ 5,611.25	\$ 687.93

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The Sacrifice of Praise

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- I. Title Verse: The Author. 1:1
- II. Desolation: 1:2-2:17
 - A. The Description of the Desolation. 1:2-12

Some Times for Rejoicing:

1. When persecution _____ . Esth 8:16-17
2. When you love _____ and hate wickedness. Psa 45:7
3. When you realize that your sins are _____. Psa 51:5-10
4. When the joy of salvation is _____. Psa 51:11-13
5. When the shackles of _____ fall away. Psa 105:42-43
6. When we choose to _____ the Lord. Psa 119:111-112
7. When you draw water from the wells of _____. Isa 12:2-5
8. When you recognize the Father's _____. John 15:10-11
9. When you let the Holy Spirit take _____. Rom 14:17; Gal 5:22
10. When we become _____ by the joy set before us while going through difficult circumstances. Heb 12:1-3
11. When we decide to see difficult times from a _____ perspective.
Jas 1:2-4
12. When our _____ is to stand in front of the Lord with great joy.
Jude 24-25

- II. Desolation: 1:2-2:17
 - A. The Description of the Desolation. 1:2-12
 - B. The Reactions to the Desolation. 1:13-14 (9 commands)

1). Realize the loss. 1:13

Gird (**Qal Imp CHAGAR = C10**) yourselves with sackcloth, and lament (**sAPHAD = C11**), O priests (**KOHEN**); wail (**YALAL = to howl; C12**), O ministers of the altar! Come (**BO' = C13**), spend (**LUN = C14**) the night in sackcloth, O ministers of my God, for the grain (**MINCHAH = gift**) offering and the libation are withheld from the house of your God.

2). Do Something About it. 1:14

Consecrate (**QADOSH = C15**) a fast (**TZOM**), proclaim (**QARA' = C16**) a solemn assembly; gather (**AsAPH = C17**) the elders (**ZAQEN**) and all the inhabitants of the land to the house of the LORD your God (**BEYT YAHWEH ELOHIM**), and cry out (**ZA'AQ = C18**) to the LORD.

Summary:

1. When these events occur, the reaction should be one of _____ of the loss.
2. The priests, servants of the Lord and, elders should take the _____ in compliance.
3. This realization should not be just a _____ thought of wrongdoing but rather a focus on the underlying problems.
4. One serious problem is that they are not permitted to worship God in accordance with the _____.
5. This was _____ fulfilled during the Babylonian captivity.
6. It will not be completely fulfilled until the _____ when Israel is back in the land and the sacrifices have been cut off.
7. To fix a national problem requires that people stop what they are doing (fast) and _____ at the designated place of worship.
8. The commanded actions are not as important as an _____ of repentance from the things that got them there. 1 Sam 16:7
9. While fasting is not commanded in the Church Age, it may still be practiced at the _____ of the Believer. Acts 13:2-3
10. Fasting should be done with the _____ attitude, which involves earnest prayer about pressing matters. Matt 6:16-18

Doctrine Of The Church

1. Definition:
2. Uses of the Greek word, EKKLESIA:
3. Usages Not Found in Bible
4. The Historical Beginning of the Universal Church
 - A. Some Terminology:
 - B. Some people believe that The Church:
 - C. Evidence that The Church Began at Pentecost. Eph 3:1-10
 1. The Church is known as a "mystery."
 2. The Church was initially revealed by a promise of Christ, that upon Himself He would build His Church. Matt 16:18
 3. The Church is _____ based on the death, burial, resurrection and, ascension of Jesus Christ, so prior to that there was no church.
 - a. The Cross _____ the Church. Acts 20:28
 - b. The Resurrection of Christ _____ our resurrection as First Fruits. 1 Cor 15:20-26
 - c. The Ascension establishes Jesus Christ as _____ of the Church and ruler over various new spiritual gifts. Eph 1:22, 23 cp 4:7-12
 4. To be part of the Church requires the Baptism of the _____.
 - a. This Baptism (identification) is _____. 1 Cor 12:12-13
 - b. Paul _____ the Body of Christ with the Church. Col 1:18,24
 - c. Jesus the Messiah foretold a _____ relationship with the Holy Spirit that was different than in the previous Dispensation. John 14:16-17
 - d. Jesus told the disciples, just before His _____, to wait for the promise of the "Baptism of the Holy Spirit." Acts 1:4-5
 - e. These facts narrow the options of when the Holy Spirit began His ministry of baptism to the Day of _____ after the Resurrection. Acts 2
 - D. Some Unfavorable Extremes in application:
 1. Focus on the _____ Church to the neglect of the Local Church. Cf 1 Cor 11:16, Gal 1:22; 1 Thes 2:14; 1 Thes 1:4
 2. Focus on the _____ Church to the neglect of the Universal Church.
 3. Stress on unity at the expense of the _____ of the Word of God.

4. Interdenominational groups that arose without _____ doctrine at the core.
5. Metaphors of the Universal Church
 - A. The Church as the Body. Rom 12:15; 1 Cor 10:16, 17; 1 Cor 12:12-27; Eph 1:23; 2:16; 4:4, 12, 16; 5:23, 30; Col 1:18, 24; 2:19; 3:15.
 1. There is a plain literal sense of the Church as the Body of Christ that is biblically proven to be _____.
 - a. This sense views the Church as an extension of the _____.
 - b. It is the Roman Catholic view and popular among _____ Protestants.
 - c. The serious implication is that it identifies Jesus Christ with the Church by saying Jesus Christ is the Church, thus trying to turn the Church into a _____ entity.
 - d. If that is true then the Church shares His _____ authority, which has been proven to be wrong throughout history.
 - e. This problem led to the Church being equal to or above the _____ in matters of truth, with the Church being the final word. They find no problem with changing their viewpoint.
 - f. The Reformers countered that viewpoint with what is called "Sola _____," or the sufficiency of the Scriptures.
 - g. Such a view is at odds with _____ Ecclesiology and Soteriology.
 - h. If one claims that Christ is the Body and that body is a visible church, then to be _____ one has to join the Church.
 - i. Joining the Church is a _____ of salvation, not the cause of it.
 2. There is a figurative-literal interpretation that is supported by biblical evidence:
 - a. The Church is the Body of Christ metaphorically or analogically, not by strict _____. Eph 4:12; 1 Cor 12:27
 - b. Jesus Christ still exists and is presently at the "_____" of Father. Rom 8:34
 - c. One must avoid being overly literal and hence deny the reality of this _____ union.
 - d. The weakness with a metaphor is that one can never _____ represent the entity to which it is applied.
 - e. Together, the metaphors all convey the truth we need to know about this _____ mystery, the Church.

