



# Sermon Series in 2021



*\*Each week we apply God's timeless Word to today's world.*

## January



### **A New Year and a New You**

Each January we begin the year by setting some godly goals for our growth with God in the coming year. Also, we'll be unveiling our new Word of the Year, which casts the vision as a church for 2021. AND we'll have a special service to dedicate our new building addition. Start the new year right by worshipping God!

## February-March



### **Am I Ready to Die?**

As we were reminded in the pandemic of 2020, human life is frail and mortal. Microscopic viruses can quickly lead us to a morgue. *Am I really ready to meet my Maker? What does the Bible say about death, dying, and life beyond the grave? Are my family and my earthly end-of-life arrangements in order?* In this series we'll consult with local funeral directors and the Bible for both end-of-life and eternal life arrangements as we deal with the topic of death/dying.

## June-July



### **Take Me Out to the Ballgame**

*\*Can baseball really teach me about the Bible? What does America's pastime have to do with my current life?* This series was postponed in 2020 due to COVID's postponement of the baseball season but brought back in 2021 by popular demand! In a series that's sure to be a home run, you'll want to bring your bat, ball, and Bible this summer as we learn Biblical lessons thru the lenses of playin' ball.

## August-November



### **Character Study: Paul—A Reminder Change is Possible!**

*\*Stuck in old ruts? Find yourself fighting a losing battle?* This fall we'll follow perhaps the greatest transformation story in Scripture! Paul discovered power, purpose, and peace in an experience with Jesus, reminding us true change is possible when the true Jesus is encountered. Come discover what Paul discovered this fall with us!

## December



### **Teaching Tradition: Part 3**

*\*What traditions do you most love about Christmas, and did you know it probably has some Christian roots?* In this series that started in 2019, we'll continue unpacking Christmas traditions—from trees, lights, and gifts in 2019 to carols, cards, candy canes, and Christmas colors in 2020 to books, ballets, beats, and big screens in 2021—all intentionally pointing us to the true reason for the season... Jesus!

## Message Outline

*What's NEW???*



**Mark 1:21-28, 2Cor.5:17ff.**

**Intro:** A "NEW" Word for 2021...

- 1) NEW Building
  - 2) NEW Services
  - 3) NEW Denomination
- Sermon series in 2021...

**Read:** Mark 1:21-28

v.21—Worship matters...Jesus modeled it!

v.22—Something different about Jesus...

v.23—Church just got interrupted...

- A word on the spirit world...

v.23-26—Sometimes healing can be a "violent" and "noisy" process...

v.27-28—First chronological reference to "new" in NT...

\*A picture of "new" (Mk.1) followed by a principle of "new" (2Cor.5)...

**Read:** 2 Corinthians 5:17ff.

- "If": \_\_\_\_\_
- "anyone": \_\_\_\_\_
- "in Christ": \_\_\_\_\_
- "NEW creation": \_\_\_\_\_
- "the old pass away": \_\_\_\_\_
- "has become/made NEW": \_\_\_\_\_

**MAIN POINT:** \_\_\_\_\_

• Discovery of newness leads us in a new direction (cf. v.18-6:2)...

- "ministry of reconciliation"...(v.18)

- "message of reconciliation"...(v.19)

- "ambassadors"...(v.20)

- "God's co-workers"...(6:1)

- "now"...(6:2)

**Closing:** What's "new" that only Jesus can do for you???