



KINGDOM & COVENANT

Will the Real God Please Stand Up

1 Kings 18:1-46 • Message #18

The futility of idolatry

Idolatry _____ us. (1—16)

Idolatry _____ us. (17—18)

Idolatry _____ us. (19—29)

Idolatry _____ us. (28)

TAKE HOME TRUTH

We must forsake the _____ of idolatry to embrace the fullness of _____ the true God.

Why should we forsake idolatry for the true God?

- God is _____ to respond to those who seek Him _____. (36—38).
- God is _____ to _____ - _____ people. (31, 36—39)
- God _____ what idolatry cannot. (41—46)



Coming Up

February 22 – 1 Kings 19:1-21, Pastor Anthony

March 1 – 20:1-43, Pastor Fred

March 8 – 1 Kings 21:1-29, Pastor Fred

March 15 – 1 Kings 22:1-40, Pastor Fred

March 22 – 1 Kings 22:41-53, Pastor Fred

Just a Moment

with Pastor Fred

A few weeks ago, I quoted Elisabeth Elliot (1926-2015) in my sermon. She wrote, “Sometimes life is so hard you can only do the next thing. Whatever that is, just do the next thing. God will meet you there.” I then quoted an old poem from which Elisabeth borrowed that line – “do the next thing.” Several mentioned it – so here it is again in it’s entirety.

“From an old English parsonage down by the sea; there came in the twilight a message to me; its quaint Saxon legend, deeply engraven, hath, it seems to me, teaching from Heaven. And through the doors the quiet words ring like a low inspiration: do the next thing.

Many a questioning, many a fear, many a doubt, hath it’s quieting her. Moment by moment, let down from Heaven, time, opportunity, and guidance are given. Fear not tomorrow, child of the King, trust them with Jesus, do the next thing. Do it immediately, do it with prayer; do it reliantly, casting all care; do it with reverence tracing His hand who placed it before thee with earnest command. Stayed on Omnipotence, safe ‘neath His wing, leave all results, do the next thing.

Looking for Jesus, ever serener, working or suffering, by thy demeanor; in His dear presence, the rest of His calm, the light of His countenance be thy psalm. Strong in His faithfulness, praise and sing. Then as He beckons thee, do the next thing.”

Regardless of what you or I might be encountering – sometimes all God asks of us is simply to do the next thing.



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Magnify

*the LORD with me,
and let us exalt his
name together!*

PSALM 34:3

Prelude

Call to Worship

*God The Uncreated One
10,000 Reasons*

Missions Moment

Scripture Reading & Pastoral Prayer

At The Cross

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Wonderful Merciful Savior

Benediction

Prayer Team

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Becoming fruitful disciples of Christ for God’s glory.

THE LORD'S DAY February 15, 2026

In worship, God invites us to
join Him in what He is already doing.
Our response is initiated by God, grounded in
the reconciling work of Christ, and
enabled by His Spirit.

Philosophy of Worship

We exist to proclaim Jesus Christ through the
power of the Holy Spirit

Nursery Schedule

Sunday School

Cindy Bettenhausen & Julie Rizzardi

Worship Service

Nursery: Randi Chaney & Karla Ruest

Toddler: Ronda VanSumeren, Kaylen Elliott & Kali Lange

Today

9:00am Coffee & Fellowship

9:30am Sunday School & Adult Bible Fellowship

10:30am Worship

Small Groups meet today or later in the week

Monday, February 16

6:00pm Finance Team

Wednesday, February 18

10:30am Senior Saints Bible Study

7:00pm Praise Team

Saturday, February 21

10:00 am Ladies Caring Crew

Announcements

Ladies Caring Crew! Saturday, Feb 21 at 10am. Join us as we prepare gifts for our shut-ins and visit with them. We will enjoy lunch back at the church at noon. Please sign up to help us plan.

Communion will be observed on Sunday, March 1.



Beat the Winter Blues, a family get-together will

be held at the home of Don & Sue Depoorter, Friday, March 13. More details will be available next week.

ABIDE Ladies Bible Studies. If you would be interested in an ABIDE group during the daytime, please indicate if you are willing to host or facilitate. In order to facilitate, you must be a member of HBC.

Struggling with a Problem?

The Christian Counseling & Educational Foundation has excellent resources available in the foyer addressing specific subjects for a reasonable price. Check out the topics in the church foyer.

Today's Greeters

Barbara Howell
Jim Rizzardi

"The best antidote for anxiety is frequent meditation upon God's goodness, power and sufficiency. Nothing is too big and nothing is too little to spread before and cast upon the Lord."
~ A.W. Pink

Growing Deep

Small Group Discussion Questions

1. What are you tempted to give your "love, desire, fear, or trust to in place of God?
2. What are you tempted to turn to for "life, hope, and meaning" in place of God?
3. Read Psalm 115 and answer these questions:
 - What does this teach us about idols?
 - What happens to those who commit idolatry?
 - How must we respond to idolatry?
4. How did this week's text speak to you?

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Pastor Anthony February 19

Isaac Taepke February 21

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Jan & Colleen Peck (belated) February 14

Tom & Nidia McKean February 16

Prayer Requests

Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful.
Colossians 4:2

General Requests

- Camp Barakel Staff on sabbatical - Tim & Alyssa Elliott
- Josh & Carissa Bell - Senegal
- The Clark family
- Counseling Ministry - certification & weekly appointments
- For HBC to grow deeper spiritually / to reach out to others
- Mid-Michigan Biblical Counseling Conference, April 10-11

Physical Needs

- Angie Wilson (Diane & Amanda's sister-in-law) - serious infection
- Chris Stolk (Lois Martin's nephew) - cancer
- Frank Bragg (Killian Loveall's grandfather) - mental health, diabetes
- Gina Golden - diabetic issues
- Jason Rowntree - lymph node swelling in chest
- Kara deRoos (Ryan's mother) - recovery
- Kathy Lange (Anthony's mother) - lung cancer
- Nic Martin - pain management injections UMH Sparrow
- Richard Handziak (friend of Chaney's) - cancer

Praying Biblically The Greatness of God - Isaiah 40:28-31

Have you not known? Have you not heard? The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; His understanding is unsearchable. He gives power to the faint, and to Him who has no might He increases strength. Even youths shall faint and be weary, and young men shall fall exhausted; but they who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint.

Prayer For Our Government Officials

US Supreme Court & Local Judges

Missions Moment

Josh & Carissa Bell, Vesper & Lina - Senegal

Prayer Individual of the Week

Gina Golden

Shut in of the Week

Phil Walrath