

Morning Message Outline

July 21, 2019

“Baptism: Circumcision of the Heart”

Genesis 17:1-14; Colossians 2:9-15

- I. Introduction: Bonds of love and faithful care affirm, “You belong here!”
- II. Humanity’s falling out with God
- III. God’s initiative in restoring the relationship
 - A. God’s covenant promise to Abraham
 - B. God’s grace-based, covenant-sealed relationship to us.
- IV. The relationship between the old covenant sign of circumcision and the new covenant sign of baptism.
 - A. Circumcision was a sign of membership in God’s covenant people.
 - B. The message in circumcision
 1. The life and death importance of God’s gracious covenant relationship
 2. Your future relies on loyalty to God.
 3. “Circumcise your hearts.” – Moses
 - C. The message in baptism
 1. Christ’s death and resurrection cleanses us from the guilt of our sin.
 2. Christ’s death and resurrection removes our sinful nature, providing a ‘circumcision of the heart.’
- V. Conclusion: Baptism provides an assuring sign that we will not be cut off from God and the promised future due to our sins.

Evening Message Outline

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“Dealing With Our Feelings: Worry”

Matthew 6:25-34 / Philipians 4:6-9

- I. Introduction: Outward expressions

- II. Worry is a pre-occupation with the future.

- III. Victory over worry comes through living in the present.
 - A. Accept the unchangeable.

 - B. Work to change what can be changed
 1. Pray

 2. Focus on what you know is true.

 3. Let God's Word guide you.

 4. Do something constructive to address your area of concern.

 5. Commit the situation to God.

- IV. Conclusion: Whatever he wills, will be.

