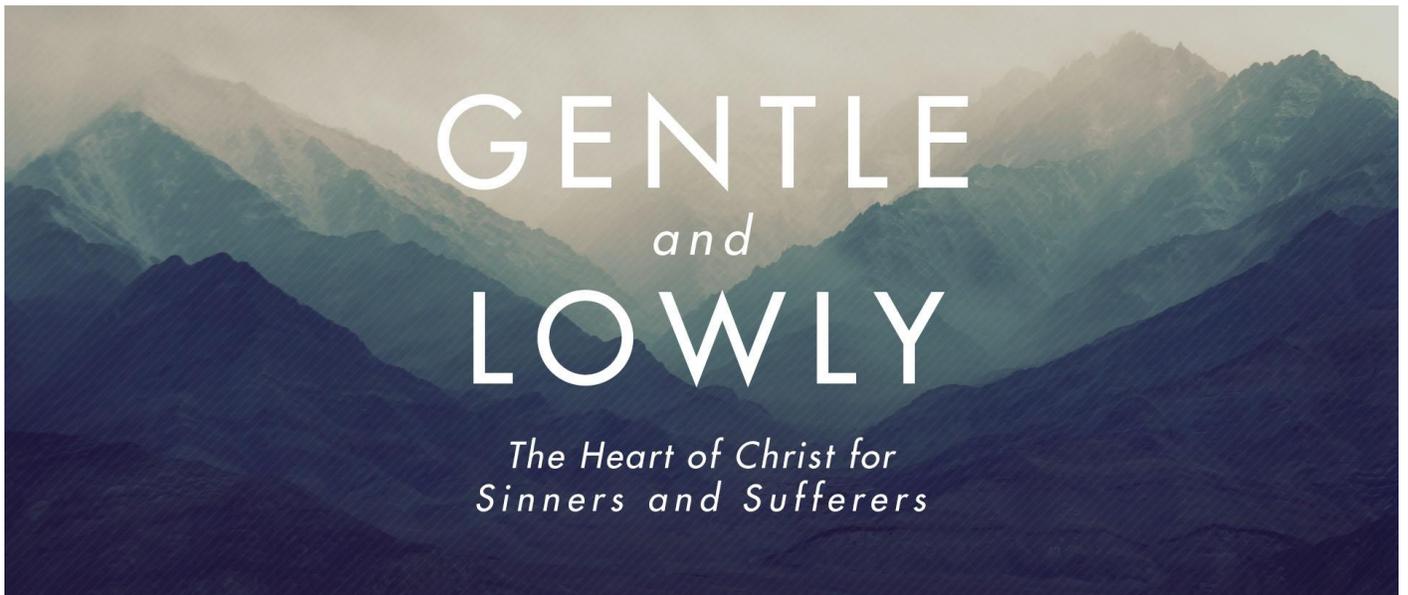


April 18, 2021

No Pleasure in Judgment



In part 7 of *Gentle and Lowly*, we'll be looking at how God feels about judgment.

Before this Sunday, meditate on the following verses:

- “[God] does not afflict from his heart” (Lam. 3:33).
- “My heart recoils within me; my compassion grows warm and tender. I will not execute my burning anger; I will not again destroy Ephraim” (Hos. 11:8).
- “As I live, declares the Lord GOD, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from his way and live” (Ezek. 33:11).
- “You . . . delight to show mercy” (Mic. 7:18, NIV).

This week's main point: **Judgment never makes God happy.**

“For God to be merciful is for God to be God” (*Gentle and Lowly*, p. 144).

You might be thinking, “But what about God's wrath?” Notice that God does “afflict,” but he doesn't afflict “from his heart.”

Sunday Worship

O Jerusalem, herald of good news; lift it up, fear not; say to the cities of Judah, "Behold your God!" (Isa. 40:9).



Call to Worship	Isaiah 40:9, 12, 31
Singing	Behold Our God / Christ Is Mine Forevermore
Prayer of Praise	
The Lord's Supper	Luke 24:28-35 / Silent Confession / Assurance of Forgiveness / Prayer of Thanksgiving
Singing	Forgiven / Nothing But the Blood
Affirmation of Faith	The Apostles' Creed
Singing	He Will Hold Me Fast
Scripture Reading	Jeremiah 32:36-41 (Bev Jewell)
Sermon	Part 7 of Gentle and Lowly: No Pleasure in Judgment (Lam. 3:33)
Singing	Oh How Good It Is
Benediction	Philippians 4:7

Announcements

Church Membership: The Board of Elders is recommending that we accept Ian and Lynnette MacDonald into the membership of our church. The vote will take place on Sunday, April 25.

Attendance Confirmation Form: If you are planning to attend our Worship Service, please fill out our [Attendance Confirmation Form](#). A link to the form can always be found on our church website's [home page](#).

Thursday Live Bible Study: Pastor Jonathan is on Facebook on Thursday evenings at 6:30, doing a study series on the book of Revelation. The book of Revelation gives us a message of hope, and hope is what we need during uncertain times. (These videos can be viewed on our [Facebook page](#) if you miss them live.)

Sunday School: Each Sunday we'll be meeting together at 10:00 a.m. on the lower level. Please enter the building through the doors at the front. As of now, our Sunday School will be geared toward children and teens and their parents, though all are welcome to join us.

Reports: Committees and Ministries that are responsible for submitting a report for the May Business Meeting should have their reports in by May 10.

Happy Birthday: Verna Ells (April 19).

Last Week's Giving: Offering for April 11 was \$1,280.00. (\$565.00 by e-Transfer, \$715.00 by regular giving), plus \$10.00 was given toward ongoing building renovation projects.

RightNow Media: We have given everyone in our church free access to RightNow Media! It's called the Netflix of Bible studies. It also has tons of kid's episodes and movies. To sign up, visit [this link](#).

Pastor's Courses: Jonathan completed two Acadia Divinity College graduate level courses this year: Interpreting the Old Testament and Pastoral Care and Counseling.

This week:

Day	Time	Event
Sunday	10:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Sunday School Worship Service - The Lord's Supper / Nursery
Wednesday	6:30 p.m.	Youth Group
Thursday	6:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	Live Video on Facebook: Study of Revelation Worship Practice
Sunday	10:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Sunday School Worship Service



Church Membership

If you have been regularly attending FHFBC, we'd like you to become a member of our church. Membership demonstrates one's commitment to a local church and enables greater participation in the life of that church.

The Requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Faith in Jesus Christ as your Lord and Saviour.• Agreement with our church's statement of faith and covenant.• Believer's baptism by immersion.
The Process	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Tell one of our elders you're interested in membership.• Read a short book: <i>I Am a Church Member</i>.• Fill out a survey, indicating how you might like to serve in our church.• Meet with the elders to talk about your conversion, baptism, understanding of the gospel, and expectations of members.

Church Info

FHBC is a member of the [Fellowship of Evangelical Baptist Churches in Canada](#), and we also belong to the Fellowship's [Atlantic Region](#). Our mission is to help people become fully devoted followers of Jesus Christ.

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