

ROES & BLES

A Mixed
series of
Heroes of
Faith
&
Parables
of Jesus

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Deborah:  
Getting Back  
on Track



***Welcome to Church!***

**AUGUST 23, 2020**

***Glorify! God With Worship***

**10:00 Combined Worship in the Park**

Welcome back to those that are worshipping with us!

We will also be offering each service via Facebook live and later on our church website: [www.sibleyfrc.org](http://www.sibleyfrc.org)

If you have any prayer requests please submit them into our office via email to [sibleyfrcoffice@gmail.com](mailto:sibleyfrcoffice@gmail.com) or via phone 754-2783.

***Grow! In His Word***

**MESSAGE: "HEROES OF FAITH & PARABLES OF JESUS...**

**DEBORAH-GETTING BACK ON TRACK"**

**SCRIPTURE: JUDGES 4**

## ***Stewardship & Giving***

**Offerings for August 16, 2020:** General Fund-\$6182; Benevolent Fund-\$560; Building Fund-\$0;. Attendance: 1st-92 2nd-38.

**Special Offering for August is Village Northwest.**

- **Church hours are now 7am-2pm Monday-Friday.**
- **We are in Phase 1A for Worship and Phase 2B for Church Programming.** Bulletins etc. will not be available on Sunday mornings. Entrance to the church on SUNDAYS will only be allowed through the south doors. The canopy door will remain locked.
- **Small groups of 10 or less are permitted to meet in the Fireside Room.** Please contact the office **PRIOR** to meeting to check availability. This includes all Ministry Team meetings as well.
- Secretary's Office hours are Mondays 8-2 and Wednesdays 8-10
- Bulletins, newsletters and other items have been placed on a table by the office door. Please visit our website for the weekly bulletin and monthly newsletter or stop at the church M-Friday 7-2 for a copy.
- **Offering donations can be simply slid under the office door or mailed to church (1010 6th Street, Sibley, IA 51249) for your convenience. Thank you for your donations...they are greatly appreciated and needed.**

## Holy, Holy, Holy

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
Early in the morning our song shall  
rise to Thee;  
Holy, holy, holy, merciful  
and mighty!  
God in three Persons,  
blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints  
adore Thee,  
Casting down their golden crowns  
around the glassy sea;  
Cherubim and seraphim falling  
down before Thee,  
Who was, and is, and evermore  
shall be.

## How Great Thou Art

O Lord my God, When I in awesome  
wonder,  
Consider all the worlds Thy Hands  
have made;  
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thun-  
der,  
Thy power throughout the universe  
displayed.

**Chorus:**  
**Then sings my soul,**  
**My Savior God, to Thee,**  
**How great Thou art,**  
**How great Thou art.**  
**Then sings my soul,**  
**My Savior God, to Thee,**  
**How great Thou art,**  
**How great Thou art!**

When through the woods,  
and forest glades I wander,  
And hear the birds sing  
sweetly in the trees.  
When I look down, from lofty

Holy, holy, holy! though the dark-  
ness hide Thee,  
Though the eye of sinful man thy  
glory may not see;  
Only Thou art holy; there is none  
beside Thee,  
Perfect in power, in love, and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
All Thy works shall praise Thy name,  
in earth, and sky, and sea;  
Holy, holy, holy;  
merciful and mighty!  
God in three Persons,  
blessed Trinity!

mountain grandeur  
And see the brook,  
and feel the gentle breeze.

~~Chorus~~

And when I think, that God, His Son  
not sparing;  
Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in;  
That on a Cross, my burdens gladly  
bearing,  
He bled and died to take away my sin.

~~Chorus~~

When Christ shall come, with shout of  
acclamation,  
And take me home, what joy shall fill  
my heart.  
Then I shall bow, in humble adora-  
tion,  
And then proclaim: "My God, how  
great Thou art!"

~~Chorus~~

## God's Commandments

I am the LORD thy God, which have brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage. Thou shalt have no other gods before me.

**Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. Thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them.**

Thou shalt not take the name of the LORD thy God in vain;

**For the LORD will not hold him guiltless that taketh his name in vain.**

Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy. For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day:

**Wherefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day, and hallowed it.**

Honour thy father and thy mother: that thy days may be long upon the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee.

**Thou shalt not kill.**

Thou shalt not commit adultery.

**Thou shalt not steal.**

Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour.

**Thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's wife, nor his manservant, nor his maidservant, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor any thing that is thy neighbour's.**

Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment.

**And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.**

# King Of Kings

## Hillsong Worship

In the darkness, we were waiting  
Without hope, without light  
'Til from Heaven You came running  
There was mercy in Your eyes  
To fulfill the law and prophets  
To a virgin came the Word  
From a throne of endless glory  
To a cradle in the dirt

Praise the Father, praise the Son  
Praise the Spirit, three in one  
God of glory, Majesty  
Praise forever to the King of Kings

To reveal the kingdom coming  
And to reconcile the lost  
To redeem the whole creation  
You did not despise the cross  
For even in Your suffering  
You saw to the other side  
Knowing this was our salvation  
Jesus for our sake You died

Praise the Father, praise the Son

Praise the Spirit, three in one  
God of glory, Majesty  
Praise forever to the King of Kings

And the morning that You rose  
All of Heaven held its breath  
'Til that stone was moved for good  
For the Lamb had conquered death  
And the dead rose from their tombs  
And the angels stood in awe  
For the souls of all who'd come  
To the Father are restored  
And the church of Christ was born  
Then the Spirit lit the flame  
Now this gospel truth of old  
Shall not kneel, shall not faint  
By His blood and in His name  
In His freedom I am free  
For the love of Jesus Christ  
Who has resurrected me, ohh

Praise the Father, praise the Son  
Praise the Spirit, three in one  
God of glory, Majesty  
Praise forever to the King of Kings

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## Sermon Points:

**God often uses unlikely people and uncommon means to accomplish His purposes and fulfill His promises.**

**How we can let God make us an “unlikely hero”?**

**1. Listen to God.**

**2. Do what He Says.**

**3. Refuse to be discouraged.**

**4. Use whatever God has already provided.**

**5. Trust Him for results.**

## Judges 4

**4** Again the Israelites did evil in the eyes of the LORD, now that Ehud was dead. <sup>2</sup> So the LORD sold them into the hands of Jabin king of Canaan, who reigned in Hazor. Sisera, the commander of his army, was based in Harosheth Haggoyim. <sup>3</sup> Because he had nine hundred chariots fitted with iron and had cruelly oppressed the Israelites for twenty years, they cried to the LORD for help.

<sup>4</sup> Now Deborah, a prophet, the wife of Lappidoth, was leading<sup>[a]</sup> Israel at that time. <sup>5</sup> She held court under the Palm of Deborah between Ramah and Bethel in the hill country of Ephraim, and the Israelites went up to her to have their disputes decided. <sup>6</sup> She sent for Barak son of Abinoam from Kedesh in Naphtali and said to him, “The LORD, the God of Israel, commands you: ‘Go, take with you ten thousand men of Naphtali and Zebulun and lead them up to Mount Tabor. <sup>7</sup> I will lead Sisera, the commander of Jabin’s army, with his chariots and his troops to the Kishon River and give him into your hands.’”

<sup>8</sup> Barak said to her, “If you go with me, I will go; but if you don’t go with me, I won’t go.”

<sup>9</sup> “Certainly I will go with you,” said Deborah. “But because of the course you are taking, the honor will not be yours, for the LORD will deliver Sisera into the hands of a woman.” So Deborah went with Barak to Kedesh. <sup>10</sup> There Barak summoned Zebulun and Naphtali, and ten thousand men went up under his command. Deborah also went up with him.

<sup>11</sup> Now Heber the Kenite had left the other Kenites, the descendants of Hobab, Moses’ brother-in-law,<sup>[b]</sup> and pitched his tent by the great tree in Zaanannim near Kedesh.

<sup>12</sup> When they told Sisera that Barak son of Abinoam had gone up to Mount Tabor, <sup>13</sup> Sisera summoned from Harosheth Haggoyim to the Kishon River all his men and his nine hundred chariots fitted with iron.

<sup>14</sup> Then Deborah said to Barak, “Go! This is the day the LORD has given Sisera into your hands. Has not the LORD gone ahead of you?” So Barak went down Mount Tabor, with ten thousand men following him. <sup>15</sup> At Barak’s advance, the LORD routed Sisera and all his chariots and army by the sword, and Sisera got down from his chariot and fled on foot.

<sup>16</sup> Barak pursued the chariots and army as far as Harosheth Haggoyim, and all Sisera’s troops fell by the sword; not a man was left. <sup>17</sup> Sisera, meanwhile, fled on foot to the tent of Jael, the wife of Heber the Kenite, because there was an alliance between Jabin king of Hazor and the family of Heber the Kenite.

<sup>18</sup> Jael went out to meet Sisera and said to him, “Come, my lord, come right in. Don’t be afraid.” So he entered her tent, and she covered him with a blanket. <sup>19</sup> “I’m thirsty,” he said. “Please give me some water.” She opened a skin of milk, gave him a drink, and covered him up.

<sup>20</sup> “Stand in the doorway of the tent,” he told her. “If someone comes by and asks you, ‘Is anyone in there?’ say ‘No.’”

<sup>21</sup> But Jael, Heber’s wife, picked up a tent peg and a hammer and went quietly to him while he lay fast asleep, exhausted. She drove the peg through his temple into the ground, and he died.

<sup>22</sup> Just then Barak came by in pursuit of Sisera, and Jael went out to meet him. “Come,” she said, “I will show you the man you’re looking for.” So he went in with her, and there lay Sisera with the tent peg through his temple—dead.

<sup>23</sup> On that day God subdued Jabin king of Canaan before the Israelites. <sup>24</sup> And the hand of the Israelites pressed harder and harder against Jabin king of Canaan until they destroyed him.

# Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)

[Chris Tomlin](#)

Amazing grace  
How sweet the sound  
That saved a wretch like me  
I once was lost, but now I'm found  
Was blind, but now I see  
'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear  
And grace my fears relieved  
How precious did that grace appear  
The hour I first believed

My chains are gone  
I've been set free  
My God, my Savior has ransomed me  
And like a flood His mercy rains  
Unending love, Amazing grace

The Lord has promised good to me  
His word my hope secures  
He will my shield and portion be  
As long as life endures

My chains are gone  
I've been set free  
My God, my Savior has ransomed me  
And like a flood His mercy rains  
Unending love, Amazing grace

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Unending love, Amazing grace

The Earth shall soon dissolve like  
snow  
The sun forbear to shine  
But God, Who called me here below  
Will be forever mine  
Will be forever mine  
You are forever mine

## Sanctuary

Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary,  
pure and holy, tried and true;  
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living  
sanctuary for You.

Lord, I know that I'm not worthy  
but you loved me just the same;  
I will go, Lord, where you lead me  
'til the world will praise Your name.

## In Our Prayers



If you have a pastoral need while Pastor Luke is on vacation, please call Harold Ernst, any member of Consistory or the church office (754-2783). Remember, we cannot print your name unless you have granted FRC permission to do so. If you have a prayer request you would like included, please contact the office.

- **Pray for those in assisted living:** Gaylord Kruger, Ethel Jurgens and Geneva Wissink
- **Pray for our nursing home residents:** Margaret Calsbeek, Marlys Brink, Dutch Kruger, and Harold Schram.
- **Pray for our Missionaries:** Dr. Bernadeth Kelly and Adrian Bobb, Sayuri Kist-Okazaki, Brian and Donna Renes, J.J. and Tim Ten Cley, Rowland and Jane Van Es.

## In Our Prayers

**Continue to lift up** Rhonda Henrichs and her family as Rhonda deals with cancer. Pray for strength and healing for her.

**Please keep Henry Fisher in your prayers** as he recovers from knee surgery he underwent last Monday.

**Please keep** Mark Hawkins, Randy Van De Berg's brother-in-law, in your prayers as he struggles with pneumonia due to covid.

**Sandy DeVries** will be having knee surgery on Monday, August 24. Please pray for a painless, quick recovery for her.

**Pray for all those who have recently had illnesses and surgeries.** Pray for a quick recovery for them.

**Continue to lift up** Emma Langstraat, Kristyn Johnson, and Diana Soufle as they recover from injuries sustained in an accident last Sunday evening.

## Words of Thanks

**The ATLAS board of directors and staff** want to thank you for your support of the fresh produce fundraiser and the ATLAS ministry. Thank you to gardeners who shared the bounty from their gardens. Thank you to those of you who purchased fresh produce with your financial donations. Together touching lives for Christ.



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Office is closed on Tues & Wed

\*\*\*All bulletin announcements are due in the church office by Wednesday noon.  
Bulletins are printed on Thursday morning.\*\*\*

## Happening This Week

**Sunday, August 23:**

- **10:00 am Combined Worship in the Park!!** See announcement below for details. Today we will finish our series "Heroes of Faith and Parables of Jesus...Deborah-Getting Back on Track." Remember, you are welcome to bring your own Bible along with you to worship if you wish to follow along with the scriptures.

**Sunday, August 30:**

- Today we begin our second series on **The Story** with today's topic "The Faith of a Foreign Woman." Please see *The Story* announcement in this week's bulletin to help you prepare for next week's sermon. Remember, you are welcome to bring your own Bible along with you to worship if you wish to follow along with the scriptures.

## Mark Your Calendars

**August 31:** Consistory will meet



10:00 am  
Sunday, August 23rd

Communion will be served!

**WORSHIP  
IN THE  
PARK**

SIBLEY CENTRAL PARK

Don't forget to bring your Bible and Chair

If you would like to participate in Communion, but **DO NOT** wish to join us in the park, please stop at church August 17-21st from 8am-2pm to pick up your sealed, prefilled communion cup with wafer. These will be the same elements that will be used in the park on August 23. We will be broadcasting our Worship in the Park Service, LIVE via Facebook at 10:00am on the 23rd.

## Hands & Feet Opportunities



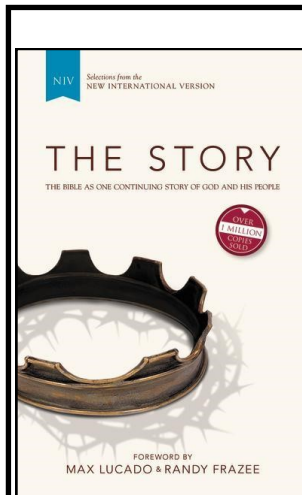
This time of year is usually the best time to shop for school supplies to put in your **Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes!** Pick up crayons, pencils, pens, scissors, notebooks and solar calculators while they are on sale!



The **Hands and Feet opportunity for the Month of August** will once again be, collecting food for the Upper Des Moines Food Pantry. All Non Perishable food items can be dropped off in the box by the office doors M-F 7am-2pm. Thank you for your generosity!!

## Community Happenings & Events

Are you looking for something fun and fulfilling to do in your spare time? Have you ever considered volunteering? The Village Treasure Chest has great volunteer opportunities for everyone and we need you now more than ever. All proceeds from items sold at the Treasure Chest are used to provide opportunities for adults with disabilities at Village Northwest Unlimited in Sheldon. If you're interested, apply at [www.villagenorthwest.org/volunteer](http://www.villagenorthwest.org/volunteer) if you have any questions call Brenna Haack at (712) 324-5416 or email [brennah@villagenorthwest.org](mailto:brennah@villagenorthwest.org)



## The Story Continues on August 30, 2020!!

To help prepare for next week's sermon, please read chapter 9 in **The Story** as well as the book of Ruth, focusing on 4:1-12.

If you do not have a copy of **The Story**, please contact the church office for your **free** copy

