

# Bethany

B I B L E C H U R C H



Why are you cast down, O my soul?  
And why are you disquieted within me?

## Hope in God;

For I shall yet praise Him,  
The help of my countenance and my God.

Psalm 42:11

# THE LORD'S DAY

August 22, 2010

## Worship Service

*Enter with reverence, Worship in truth, Serve Christ with gladness.*

### Meditation

Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without  
wavering, for He who promised is faithful.

*Hebrews 10:23*

### Prelude

*The God of Abraham Praise*

Leoni

### † Call to Worship & Prayer

Psalm 42:11

### † Praise to our Unchanging God

*Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven* *Lauda Anima* Hymn 29

### † Congregational Reading

2 Timothy 2:10-13

*The congregation will read text in italics.*

<sup>10</sup> Therefore I endure all things for the sake of the elect,  
that they also may obtain the salvation which is in  
Christ Jesus with eternal glory.

<sup>11</sup> *This is a faithful saying:*

*For if we died with Him,  
We shall also live with Him.*

<sup>12</sup> If we endure,  
We shall also reign with Him.  
If we deny Him,  
He also will deny us.

<sup>13</sup> *If we are faithless,  
He remains faithful;  
He cannot deny Himself.*

<sup>+</sup> Doxology  
*Traditional*, to Old One Hundredth

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him, above ye heavenly hosts;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Scripture Reading  
Deuteronomy 19

<sup>+</sup> Hymn of Confidence in the Lord our Hope  
*My Hope is in the Lord* Wakefield Hymn 336

<sup>+</sup> Prayer of Intercession

Offering

Hymn of Praise to Christ our Refuge  
*How Firm a Foundation* Foundation Hymn 464

<sup>+</sup> Hymn of Praise to the Lord Jehovah  
*The God of Abraham Praise* Leoni Hymn

THE SERMON  
Pressing on to Perfection, Part 6  
Hebrews 5:11 - 6:20

<sup>+</sup> Hymn of Aspiration for Christ our Anchor  
*Nearer, Still Nearer* Morris Hymn 382

<sup>+</sup> Benediction and Prayer

<sup>+</sup> *Congregation will stand*



Prayer Meeting, 6:00 PM

Sunday School, 9:45; Sunday Morning Worship, 11:00,  
Sunday Evening Prayer Meeting, 6:00.  
Fellowship Dinner 3rd Sunday of the month; no evening service.  
Wednesday Evenings: Awana, visitation, fellowship groups  
*Please note weekly announcements for any changes to this schedule.*

Again the author of Hebrews diverges from his main topic in order to exhort his readers. As Jesus was “perfected” because He “learned obedience” (5:7-10), so must we also hear and obey if we would “go on to perfection” (6:1). Disobedience breeds spiritual immaturity and immaturity breeds apostasy; but our perfection rests in the promise of God through Christ, our High Priest.

1. Disobedience breeds spiritual immaturity (5:11-6:3).
2. Spiritual immaturity breeds apostasy (6:4-8).
3. Perfection is based upon the promise of God (6:9-20).
  - a. The People of God’s Promise (9-12)
  - b. The Certainty of God’s Promise (13-20)

*Four elements of God’s promise demonstrate its certainty:*

- (1) Its *form* is the language of an oath.
- (2) Its *strength* is the character of God Himself.
- (3) Its *assurance* is the ground of our hope.
- (4) Its *consolation* instills Christ-like endurance.

**To Our Guests:** We welcome you to Bethany Bible Church! We trust you will sense our desire to exalt the Lord in our worship, as well as our commitment to the sufficiency of the Scriptures. You and your entire family are invited to worship with us. A nursery is provided for ages 0-3 if you would like, and you may also hear the service in the foyer or fellowship room if you need to attend to small children. We would like to have a record of your visit. You should receive a guest card which you may give to Pastor Stiekes personally or hand to one of our ushers. We trust that God will richly bless you as we endeavor to magnify the Lord on His day.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS & COMING EVENTS**

**WEDNESDAY –7 PM, The Church and the Apostolic Fathers:** Ryan Martin on Justin Martyr

**SEPTEMBER 11th –9 AM, Membership Class**

**AWANA HELP NEEDED –**The AWANA ministry needs additional helpers this year. If you are interested, please speak with Pastor, or Chip and Ranae Worrell.

**DIRECTORY –**Please consider giving an extra \$5-\$15 to cover directory costs. Designate the funds for the “directory” on your offering envelope or check.

*Missionary updates from the Lathams and Cheloudtchenkos are available in the missionary rack near the front entrance.*