

# Welcome

A *meridian* can be defined as "the highest point reached by a heavenly body in its course."<sup>1</sup> Although we are not literally in heaven, we have been placed, as believers in "heavenly places in Christ Jesus" (Ephesians 2:6). As we set our aim of *Lifting Christ Higher*, focusing on Heaven, and seeking to continually draw nearer to Jesus, then we will begin to comprehend those "heavenly places" as more of a reality than just some words on a page.

Please accept our heartfelt thanks for choosing Meridian as the place for you to give honor and praise to our wonderful Savior on this Lord's Day. We trust that you will come to know and understand more fully the relationship you can have in Jesus Christ.

<sup>1</sup> Webster's New World Dictionary, © 1971.

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## Sermon notes

### The Importance of a Memorial Joshua 4

**Memorials serve an important purpose in our relationship with God.**

#### 1. To Shake Our Memory of God's Provision (6)

**"sign"** – evidence for proof and remembrance

Our lives & our world is filled with "memorials", to help us remember.

Moses WARNED them about forgetting

**Deuteronomy 6:12**

Our walks down "Memory Lane" should remind us of special blessings from the Lord.

#### 2. To Share Our Belief in God's Promise (6-7, 19-23)

One of most children's favorite questions is "Why?"

The pile of stones provided parents a teaching tool to share the mighty works of God.

Parents have a responsibility to share their faith with their family.

**Judges 2:10**

We are living stones of the power of God

**1 Peter 2:5**

#### 3. To Shape Our Witness and Worship of God's Power (24)

**"fear"** – a reverential awe and respect  
Satan is bent on stealing affection toward and reverence for Jehovah.

**God established His ways of reminding His people of the importance of the past so that His people could remain pure in their faith.**

We tend to forget. That's why Memorial Day is important. We need to place some "stones of remembrance" in our lives ... to remember what a great God we have!



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*We extend a warm WELCOME!  
If you are visiting today,  
Connect Cards are available for you  
to register as our special guest.*

**SUNDAY SCHOOL . . . . . 9:30am**

**MORNING WORSHIP . . . . . 10:40am**

Scripture Reading: Ephesians 6:10-17

Hymns – (Blue) 592, 84, 577

**EVENING SERVICE . . . . . 6:00pm**  
**Pastor Caleb . . . . . 2 Timothy 3:1-9**

#### CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Young people ages 4 - 4th grade are invited to be dismissed before the sermon for age-related teaching.

#### THIS WEEK AT MERIDIAN

**Tue – 11:30AM – Ladies Lunch Bunch**  
**Wed – 6:30PM – Adult Bible Study and Prayer; Kid's Club**  
**Sat – 9AM – Meridian Mighty Men Breakfast**

#### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

VBS will be **June 2-5 – 1:00-3:00pm**. This will be a great time of fun & learning for **kids ages 4 – 6<sup>th</sup> grade!** If you would like to help with this event, please talk to Ashley Hummingbird or Pastor Caleb.

#### LOOKING AHEAD AT MERIDIAN

**Jun 1 (Sun, AM) – Quarterly Business mtg.**  
**Jun 1 (Sun, 5:15PM) – Choir Rehearsal**  
**Jun 2-5 (Mon-Thu; 1-3PM) – Vacation Bible School**  
**Jun 5 (Thur, 7PM) – Rescue Mission**  
**Jun 6 (Fri, 5:30-10PM) – New Hope Outreach**  
**Jun 8 (Sun, 6PM) – Sunday School Picnic @ Heritage Park (Hesston)**  
**Jun 10 (Tue, 5:30-10PM) – New Hope Outreach**  
**Jun 15 (Sun, 5:15PM) – Choir Rehearsal**  
**Jun 16-20 (Mon-Fri) – Challenge Christian Camp**  
**Jun 24 (Tue, 6:30PM) – Financial Peace University**  
**Jul 4 (Fri, AM) – Golf Outing**  
**Jul 4 (Fri, PM) – Picnic @ The Wood's**

#### FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY

Take control of your money with *Financial Peace University*! This nine-week class uses biblical wisdom and common sense to help you tackle budgeting, pay off debt, and make your money work for you! Talk to Pastor Caleb with questions and to sign up. Class starts **June 24<sup>th</sup>**.

#### CHALLENGE CHRISTIAN CAMP

Brochures and information are on the bulletin board between the offices. Young people entering grade 4 through graduating Seniors are eligible to attend. Brother Joe Willis will be the special speaker. Please return completed information and registration fee to Pastor Caleb by **TODAY** to be eligible for the Early-bird discount.

#### SUNDAY SCHOOL PICNIC

Everyone is invited to join us for food and fellowship in the park **Sunday evening, June 8**. The meeting place is **Heritage Park on Ridge Road** (across from the Middle School) **in Hesston**. Bring lawn chairs and your Bible for an outdoor service.

#### CHURCH LIBRARY

Our church library has been upgraded with the inclusion of some new titles for your reading pleasure and learning. You may check the books out yourself by writing your name on the card inside the book and filing it in the index box.

#### CHURCH PICTORIAL DIRECTORY

A significant benefit of our Pictorial Directory is that it helps people identify others with a picture. It also provides a location for contact information as well as birthdays and anniversaries. If you would like to be included in our directory, let Pastor Kliever know.

*Please note that the Pictorial Directory is separate from our text notifications.*

#### MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT

The **April** Financial Report is available on the desk in the Church Office.

#### NURSERY SCHEDULE

**May 25 – AM – Crystal / Karen M.  
PM – Sarah / Elijah**  
  
**Jun 1 – AM – Daina / Peggy  
PM – Kathy / Deidra**