

“Only Christ Can Bring Peace” (Part 1)  
2 Samuel 19:1-15

*“Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have **PEACE** with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.” (Romans 5:1)*

*“Of the increase of His government and of **PEACE** there will be no end, on the throne of David and over His kingdom, to establish it and to uphold it with justice and righteousness from this time forth and forevermore. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this.” (Isaiah 9:7)*

- (2 Samuel 19:1-4) The Connection Between Leadership and Their People.
  - “So the **victory** that day was turned into **mourning** for all the people...” (cf. 1 Samuel 8:5-7)
    - God has delivered David from his enemies and given justice to all those who had rebelled against the kingdom. (cf. 2 Samuel 18:28,31)
  - “And the people entered the city that day as those **who had fled** in battle...”
    - “If both **you and the king** who reigns over you will follow the LORD your God, **it will be well.**” (1 Samuel 12:14b)
    - “For **the people** should seek instruction from **his (the priests) mouth**....But you have turned aside from the way. You have caused many to stumble by your instruction.” (Malachi 2:7-8)
    - “And **many will follow** their (false teachers) sensuality, and because of them the way of truth will be blasphemed.” (2 Peter 2:2)
    - “**Obey your leaders** and **submit to them**, for they are keeping watch over your souls, as those who will have to give an account. Let them do this with joy and not with groaning, for that would be of **no advantage to you.**” (Hebrews 13:17)
- (2 Samuel 19:5-7) Joab’s Speech.
  - “You have today covered with shame the faces of your servants.”
  - “Your servants have saved you and your family’s life.”
  - “You love those who hate you and hate those who love you.”
  - “You have made it clear that your servants are nothing to you.”
  - “Arise, go and speak kindly to your servants.”
- (2 Samuel 19:8-15) David’s Attempt at Peace.
  - Things have changed since 2 Samuel 5:1-4. A Kingdom that was centered on God and His will, was now centered on **sin, confusion, and rebellion.**
    - David took his seat in the gate.
    - David included Zadok and Abiathar in his peace making efforts.
    - David focused on what unified them, not what divided them.
    - David placed Amasa as the commander of the army.
      - “And he swayed the heart of all the men of Judah as one man....”

**Announcements:**

★**DONATIONS:** Throughout the month of February we are collecting monetary donations for the Lambs. They are a missionary family living and serving in Papua New Guinea, working to translate the Bible into the multiple different languages of that country. For more information about the Lambs and their work in Papua New Guinea, please see the board in the back of the sanctuary. There is a container on the back table to collect your monetary donations. You can also give on Venmo, please make sure to note that it is for the Lambs.

★**NEW MEMBERS CLASS:** For anyone interested in becoming a church member, we are offering a 2 week New Members Class starting ***THIS*** Sunday, February 18th, from 9-10am in the Fellowship Hall. There is a sign-up list on the table in the entryway, please sign-up if you are interested in participating in this class. This class is also open to any current church members who are interested in learning more about our Church By-Laws.

★**CHURCH NIGHT OF PRAYER:** On Sunday, February 25th, we are having our Church Night of Prayer from 5:30-7pm. If you would like to participate in this, we have a sign-up list on the table in the entryway. We have that hour and a half broken up into 15 minute increments, you are welcome to sign up for as many time slots as you would like to. During this prayer time we will be praying for specific prayer requests within the church body.

★**CLEANING MINISTRY MEETING:** If you currently serve in or are interested in serving in the Cleaning Ministry, please mark your calendars and plan on attending a short ministry meeting on Sunday, March 17th, immediately following the worship service.