

## VICTORY VOICE OF THE KINGDOM

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### Victory 2021 Perspective!



Eric Susberry  
Pastor

Living in this life with a victorious biblical perspective is crucial to having a successful new year. Perspective means how one sees and interprets life.

Perspective is critical and essential for living triumphantly in Christ. Having the right perspective will keep you from chasing empty dreams, pursuing

temporal things that we cannot take with us once we leave here and it will keep you from being ensnared by the deceptions of this world.

The 1929 Economical Collapse in America caused many people considerable hardship. Many lost businesses, homes, jobs, careers, money, family, and lives.

Now, the thing that made people so disheartening causing hopelessness was not the collapse of everything externally, but everything internally. The collapse of their perspective. In other

words, their perspective went from bad to worse.

Jesus in Luke 21:7-9, 35-36 was questioned by His disciples regarding how to view life, the signs of His return and the end of the age.

Jesus reply was, “you shall hear of wars and commotions (trouble everywhere). Then He said when you see these things happening, “Be not terrified even though the last days will be terrifying”, He said these things must happen before I can bring you home.

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### Everlasting Hope Comes Through Jesus



Caren Susberry  
Assistant Pastor

A New Year brings hope for a new beginning, a better year ahead! I don't have to tell you that 2020 was a rough year; you lived through it and already know this.

It was a time of crisis that is why the subject for the Women's Christmas Celebration was “Victorious Women in

Times of Crisis.”

Since the history of mankind, man nor woman have been strangers to crisis. Pastor preached on “The Hope of Christmas” to build hope in us during a crisis time. The message he preached was designed to challenge us and fill us with hope!

Two scriptures in particular spoke to me in II Thessalonians 2:16-17. “Now may our Lord **Jesus Christ Himself and our God and Father**, who has loved us and given us everlasting comfort and

encouragement and the good [well-founded] hope [of salvation] by His grace, 17 comfort and encourage and strengthen your hearts [keeping them steadfast and on course] in every good work and word” (AMP).

We were once without hope and without God (Ephesians 2:12). That was the state of every person before salvation. Thank God, it's not our state now!

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*"Now may our Lord Jesus Christ Himself, and our God and Father, who has loved us and given us everlasting consolation and good hope by grace, comfort your hearts and establish you in every good word and work." II Thessalonians 2:16-17 NKJV*



## Victory 2021...cont.

Jesus goes on to further state what He wanted His disciples to do while experiencing these terrifying things, WATCH AND PRAY!

Watch means to stay awake, be alert and remain vigilant spiritually. In addition, add consistent persevering prayer. And by doing those things you will not be snared like the rest of the world.

Note! A snare is something that you do not see until it is too late, or something that catches you off guard.

One thing that will ensnare many folks is

looking to the government, people and other entities for solutions and not God.

Watching and praying will open your spiritual eyes to what Satan is trying to do and how God is yet all the while working all things out for your victory.

I want to bring this message on perspective home to where you and I live. If you and I are going to be victorious in 2021, we must heed the instruction of Jesus, "WATCH AND PRAY".

The hallmark of our church is watching and praying. And for those of you who have not been

praying with your church on a regular weekly basis, I strongly encourage you to do so, especially with the phone technology. Everyone can pray by conference calling. Many in our church are now actively doing it and I encourage those who are not to start soon.

One member of our church said, "We all can do this and it's simple because we are only a phone call away".

In closing, Victory in 2021 is possible by having a biblical perspective, sustained by watching and praying with your church.

## Everlasting Hope...cont.

Thank God for Jesus, because through Him we have hope and can move forward regardless of the difficulties and challenges of prior years and also thank God, because He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Pastor Eric charged us in his message on December 20th, 2020 to look up and to look at the Word of God for your

hope. I want to take a closer look at the word in II Thessalonians 2:16-17 because it has the ability to encourage and gives us some life changing information.

1. We are loved- How do you treat a child you love? You provide for them, care for them, instruct them, protect them, and enjoy them. That's how Father God feels about us.

2. We have been given

everlasting comfort and encouragement and hope. It will never run out. It is there when you need it. 3. We have been given the Word - to comfort, encourage, and strengthen our hearts. And we should go to it regularly.

In light of this, stay in the Word; don't let yourself be discouraged because we have an everlasting hope.

## No Worries

~Jessica Diane Ware

I am sure you have heard the saying, "If you're going to pray, then don't worry. If you're going to worry, then don't pray." I must confess that for years I did both.

I would pray about the situations going on in my life, but it would not be

long before my mind would begin to worry about those very things I had prayed about. "How is it going to work out? When is it going to work out? What if this happens? What if that happens?"

I just couldn't seem to

stop worrying about the future and all of the "what ifs."

My breakthrough came one day when I read Matthew 6:34: "Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about its own things.

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## No Worries...Continued

Sufficient for the day is its own trouble." I had read this verse probably a million times before but this particular time, I finally got it!

Worrying about tomorrow is a robber. It robs us of today's joy and today's peace, and we can never truly be grateful for the present. It blinds our eyes to what God is doing TODAY because we are always looking ahead to the next thing we need Him to do.

Do you remember when the children of Israel were in the wilderness? There

was no food there but God promised to send down manna each day to feed them. He cautioned them, however, not to gather manna for more than one day at a time. Why is this? He wanted to teach them daily dependence on their Father.

He wanted them to know that He was Jehovah Jireh and He was well able to take care of them and supply their needs with each new day. God has not changed. With each new day, there's a new supply of grace for us, a new supply of mercy, favor, guidance,

and whatever else we need for that day.

Now, instead of worrying about tomorrow, I thank God for the blessing of today. I focus on what God wants me to do TODAY. I thank God for the protection He provided me with TODAY, the prayers He answered TODAY, the blessings and grace I received TODAY. I am so much more grateful and joyous since I have learned to pray and not worry about tomorrow! I challenge you to do the same. Be blessed!

Dear Mother Eunice, another year has begun and I'm still recovering from the last one. Do you have any advice for mentally preparing for 2021? A part of me is joking, but seriously, I'm nervous about the future of a lot of things.

If there is one thing that last year has taught us, it is that you do not know what is to come. But as believers in Christ Jesus, not only do we not have to be anxious; there is a way to prepare yourself so that you're ready for the New Year and all that it brings. Psalms 91: 1 says "He who dwells in the secret place of the Most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty." Psalms 1: 2-3 states "And in His law he meditates day and night. He shall be like a tree...that brings forth its fruit in its season, whose leaf also shall not wither; and whatever he does shall prosper." Joshua 1:8 states, "This Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth but you shall meditate in it day and night...for then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have good success." What is the one thing that these verses have in common? Staying in God's Word. Prepare yourself for 2021 by meditating on the Word of God and dwelling in His presence so that when the storms rage, you don't have to be afraid. Happy New Year!

## Join Us January 11<sup>TH</sup> to 31<sup>ST</sup> for 21 DAYS OF FASTING



\*the break down of the days will be announced during weekly services

## Weekly Bible Studies

### Young Adult Elevate Bible Study



Every Thursday at  
7pm on Zoom\*!

### Children's Ministry Bible Study



Every Monday at  
6pm on Zoom!

### Teen's Ministry Living Proof Bible Study



Every Sunday at  
3pm on Google Meet!

\*Please contact the church for more information regarding all electronic meetings; answering service is 24/7.

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### SERVICE TIMES

#### Sunday Service\*

at: 8:00 am  
at: 10:00 am

#### Midweek Service

Wednesday at 7pm

\*The Nursery is temporarily closed during Sunday & Midweek Services. The church is open with limited seating for each service.

## Want to Know More About Our Church?



**Praise God we paid off our church in 2019 and now we can do some much needed repairs to our church building! Don't forget to finish your Building Fund Pledge!**

### Weekly Intercessory Prayer Schedule:

1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday  
Morning Prayer  
10:00am - 11:00am

Every Tuesday  
Evening Prayer 6:30pm - 7:30pm  
Prayer Conference Call

Every Saturday  
7:00am - 8:30am  
At Church While Maintaining  
Social Distancing Guidelines

Fast Day Every Tuesday  
Fast until Noon

**Sunday Bible School classes are temporarily suspended due to the Covid-19 Pandemic.**

**We hope to see you once classes resume!**



**Coming in 2021:  
Bookstore**

*Victory in Christ Kingdom a place where you can walk in total success in all areas of your life!*