

# THE BRIDGE

January 21, 2024

Newsletter and Sermon Notes

## Remember Sunday's Message?

*Do you apply biblical teaching in your life?*

People only retain about ten percent of what they hear. Scripture tells us, *"Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says."* (James 1:22)

At First Simple Church, Pastor Sam preaches directly from the Bible, explaining passages in their original intent, and encouraging modern-day application. Ask yourself, "do I merely listen to the Word?"

Pastor Sam encourages all of us to be "doers of the Word." Here's how:

- Read our Bibles and make annotations
- Take notes during the message
- Participate in Sermon Application Study and Discipleship Classes
- Ask questions and seek others for biblical conversations and prayer
- Allow scripture to penetrate your heart
- Seek opportunities to apply God's Word each day

Happy studying!

## Helping Hands Request

- **Touch-up Painting** - Inside the main building
- **A/V Team** - Have a knack for technology? Serve at the sound booth and with A/V set up
- **Meal Ministry** - Help us bless those who can use meals after hospitalization or other life events
- **Cleaning Team** -Volunteers are needed to help clean the church buildings on a rotating schedule. Many hands make for light work. If interested, see team leader Bubba Smalley

If you would like to serve in these or other ministry areas, see Debbie Frye or contact the church office at [info@firstsimplechurch.org](mailto:info@firstsimplechurch.org).

**Simple Mission** *Deliver and teach a consistent Gospel message for a complex world*

**Clear Vision** *Strengthen families and community with the love of Christ and accountability of the Word*



## Weekly Schedule

### Sunday Mornings

- 8:30 Discipleship Class (adults and youth)
- 9:30 Worship Service and Children's Church

### Ladies Discipleship Bible Study *Book of Romans*

- Tuesdays 9:30AM - Fellowship Hall

### Sermon Application Study

Wednesdays 6:30PM

- Adults - Sanctuary
- Youth - Conference Room

## Prayer Requests

Pastor Sam's upcoming mission trip to Israel

Pastor Randy's upcoming mission trip to El Salvador

Amy Owens - *knee surgery recovery*

Pat Spayd - *upcoming surgery*

Milton Berryman - *healing (surgery)*

Randy Garrett - *healing (surgery)*

Vickie Siebert - *knee replacement recovery*

Nancy Nolker - *cancer*

Bryant Gilsdorf - *cancer, palliative care*

Tammy Brown - *epidural injection this week*

Unspoken Requests

## Sermon Notes

### 1. There is No \_\_\_\_\_ for the \_\_\_\_\_

**Hebrews 12:25:** *See to it that you do not refuse him who speaks. If they did not escape when they refused him who warned them on earth, how much less will we, if we turn away from him who warns us from heaven?*

### 2. There is "Real" \_\_\_\_\_ in God's \_\_\_\_\_

**Hebrews 12:26-27:** <sup>26</sup>At that time his voice shook the earth, but now he has promised, "Once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heavens." <sup>27</sup>The words "once more" indicate the removing of what can be shaken—that is, created things—so that what cannot be shaken may remain.

**Haggai 2:6:** *This is what the LORD Almighty says: 'In a little while I will once more shake the heavens and the earth, the sea and the dry land.*

**2 Peter 3:10-13:** <sup>10</sup>But the day of the Lord will come like a thief. The heavens will disappear with a roar; the elements will be destroyed by fire, and the earth and everything done in it will be laid bare. <sup>11</sup>Since everything will be destroyed in this way, what kind of people ought you to be? You ought to live holy and godly lives <sup>12</sup>as you look forward to the day of God and speed its coming. That day will bring about the destruction of the heavens by fire, and the elements will melt in the heat. <sup>13</sup>But in keeping with his promise we are looking forward to a new heaven and a new earth, where righteousness dwells.

### 3. There is an Unbreakable \_\_\_\_\_ of God's \_\_\_\_\_

**Hebrews 12:28-29:** <sup>28</sup>Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us be thankful, and so worship God acceptably with reverence and awe, <sup>29</sup>for our "God is a consuming fire."

**Ephesians 1:7:** *In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the riches of God's grace*

**Acts 15:11:** *No! We believe it is through the grace of our Lord Jesus that we are saved, just as they are.*

**Matthew 10:28:** *Do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather, be afraid of the One who can destroy both soul and body in hell.*

**Ecclesiastes 12:13:** *Now all has been heard; here is the conclusion of the matter: Fear God and keep his commandments, for this is the duty of all mankind.*

**Galatians 5:16-26:** <sup>16</sup>So I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh. <sup>17</sup>For the flesh desires what is contrary to the Spirit, and the Spirit what is contrary to the flesh. They are in conflict with each other, so that you are not to do whatever you want. <sup>18</sup>But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law. <sup>19</sup>The acts of the flesh are obvious: sexual immorality, impurity and debauchery; <sup>20</sup>idolatry and witchcraft; hatred, discord, jealousy, fits of rage, selfish ambition, dissensions, factions <sup>21</sup>and envy; drunkenness, orgies, and the like. I warn you, as I did before, that those who live like this will not inherit the kingdom of God. <sup>22</sup>But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, <sup>23</sup>gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law. <sup>24</sup>Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. <sup>25</sup>Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit. <sup>26</sup>Let us not become conceited, provoking and envying each other.



**Sunday Sermons are Posted**

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