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FEBRUARY 2008 (Missions Month)

2-24-08

Jay Slocum

The Woman at the Well: Soul Cravings John 4:5-42 (Jesus comes to us when we are thirsting and alone in order to show us that our deepest cravings are pointing to a deeper need-the need for God.)

2-17-08

Ann Paton

Go: The Missionary God and His Missionary People Genesis 12:1-4 (The God on a mission to save the world told Abram and his wife Sara to go- and they went. He is still calling us, young and old, to go into the world sharing the Christian life and the Christian message.)

2-10-08

Jonathan Millard

Overcoming Temptation Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7, Romans 5:12-19, Matthew 4:1-11 (Using the whole of Scripture, this message gives us clear insight into the nature of temptation and the power to overcome temptation in our lives.)

2-03-08

Julian Linnell

Knowing God: What We Experience We Received in the Book Exodus 24:12-18, 2 Peter 1:16-21, Matthew 17:1-9 (Drawing from 2 Peter, Dr. Linnell gives us the basis for receiving correct teaching through being eye witnesses of Jesus' resurrection and recipients of God's truth through the receiving the word.)

JANUARY 2008

1-27-08

Jonathan Millard

Who Do You Follow? Tackling the problem of factionalism in the Church 1 Corinthians 1:10-17 (If anyone of us find the perfect Church, we ought to think twice before joining it lest we ruin the church through our own involvement. This Sermon deals with the dilemma of the Perfectionism that causes people to want "the perfect church and the problem of being passive and complacent about brokenness and sin.)

1-20-08

Jay Slocum

The Vision of Isaiah: Breaking the Power of Idols Isaiah 49:1-7 (Visions are powerful. They give us a look at what the future could be if... God delivered a vision to Isaiah that would allow the Israelites to become free from the addictive Idols that had kept them from God. This sermon covers the whole of the book of Isaiah, showing how the prophecy of Jesus as Immanuel, Servant, and Conqueror would allow God's people to worship God alone).

1-13-08

Robert Duncan, Bishop of The Episcopal Diocese of Pittsburgh

God Does It All- And We Cooperate Isaiah 42:1-9, Acts 10:34-38, Matthew 3:13-17, Psalm 89:1-29 or 89:20-29 (This sermon focuses on the power of God to freely forgive His people who in turn, cooperate with him through His grace.)

1-6-08

Jonathan Millard

Stop, Look, and Listen (link Corrected) Isaiah 60:1-6,9 , Ephesians 3:1-12 , Matthew 2:1-12 (A sermon that allows us to "take stock" of our lives in light of God's call for us to stand before his son and worship. From the wise-men to the men and women of the 21st century, the need to stop, look, and listen is essential to our spiritual health.)

DECEMBER 2007

12-30-07

Jay Slocum

From Slavery to Sonship: the Access, Approval, and Adoration of God's Sons and Daughters Galatians 3:23-25; 4:1-7

(The Galatians had missed the point of the Gospel. Instead of understanding the radical grace that saved them, they extended salvation to include circumcision. This sermon addresses Paul's response to the Galatians and his urging to accept the beauty of the Gospel as a message of radical inclusion initiated by God that allows us to be divine Sons and Daughters).

12-23-07

Advent Lessons and Carols (No Sermon)

12-16-07

Jay Slocum

From Ruin to Restoration: When Joy Comes Isaiah 35:1-10(We all long for redemption at Christmas. Our lives, our songs, our stories and the "Spirit of Christmas" all seem to speak of an underlying ache to see the world become a place of peace and joy, fairness and reconciliation. This sermon responds to the problem of not being able to "pass the cheer" 365 days a year.)

12-09-07

Jonathan Millard

Preparing the Way for Jesus: Repentance Matt 3:1-12 (John the Baptist's message was a burly declaration of repentance- not the kind of thing you find on a Christmas card. Yet, it remains that repentance is a vital element in the life of the Christian. This message addresses the need for repentance in our lives. and the way that God uses repentance to heal and restore us.)

12-02-07

Jean DeVaty

We Are Living In the Times of Noah: God's Patience Waits Genesis 7-8, 1 Peter 3, Matthew 24.

NOVEMBER 2007

11-25-07

Jonathan Millard

Living in the Fullness of Christ Col 1:11-20

11-18-07

Ann Paton

Grace Gratitude and Generosity 2 Corinthians 9:6-15 (The second sermon of the 2007 Stewardship season highlighting the generosity of believers formed from the grace that is poured out on the cross for us.)

11-11-07

Jay Slocum

Amazing Guilt or Amazing Grace: Grace, Gratitude and Generosity 2 Corinthians 8:1-15 (The first of two sermons on Stewardship. Though guilt is a great motivator for giving, it is antithetical to the Gospel which motivates us through the power of Amazing Grace.)

11-4-07

Jonathan Millard

The Five Marks of a Saint Luke 6:20-31 (Are the marks of a Christian power, prestige, and ever growing success? According to Jesus, the answer is no. Based on Jesus' teaching from Luke 6:20-31, this sermon describes the five marks of a saint and includes such characteristics as weeping, and loss.)

OCTOBER 2007

10-28-07

Jean DeVaty

The Parable of the Tax Collector and the Sinner: Only the Penitent Shall Pass Luke 18:9-14 (This sermon, based on Jesus Parable of the Sinner and the Tax Collector, demonstrates that humility as one of the keys to a relationship with God and others.)

10-21-07

Jay Slocum

Persistence through Prayer: The Parable of the Just Judge Luke 18:1-8. (Recording unavailable due to technical failure.) Visit ReformedAnglican for an outline.)

10-14-07

Jonathan Millard

Naaman Healed of Leprosy 2 Kings 5:1-27 (A Sermon from the book of 2 Kings with references to Luke 17:11-19. This sermon deals with the way leprous sins affect our hearts and the ways in which God seeks to heal and cleanse us through the power of the Gospel.)

10-7-07

Ann Paton

(Recording unavailable due to technical failure.)

SEPTEMBER 2007

9-30-07

Jay Slocum

Hell: The Choice, Company, and Cruelty of Hell Luke 16:19-31(A Sermon based on Jesus' teaching on hell using the story of Lazarus and the rich man. This sermon stresses the need to speak of the truth of hell in love and to deal with objections that we have to Hell as people living in the third millennium.)

9-23-07

Ann Paton

The Parable of the Shrewd Manager: Bening Faithful Stewards Luke 16:1-14 (A sermon based on the parable of the shrewd manager. This sermon deals with God's desire for us to be faithful stewards and highlights the great need that we have, as people living in a 24-7-365 world, to be faithful stewards of the time that God has entrusted to us as a people who must keep the Sabbath holy.)

9-16-07

Jonathan Millard

The Parable of the Lost Sheep: Belonging, Believing, Behaving Luke 15:1-10 (A sermon based on the Parable of the Lost Sheep showing the way that Jesus modeled belonging, believing, and behaving as means of drawing outsiders into a relationship with God.)

9-09-07

Jay Slocum

Following Jesus: How to Hate Your Friends and Family? Luke 14:25-33 (Using Luke 14:25-33, this sermon delves into the costliness of all relationships- human and divine- and unpacks Jesus' hard saying, "If you do not hate your mother or father... sister or brother, you cannot follow me" by addressing the relational, positional, oppositional, and unconditional aspects of being a follower of Jesus.)

9-02-07

Jonathan Millard

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AUGUST 2007

8-26-07

Ann Paton

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8-19-07

Jean DeVaty

The Word as Fire and Hammer Jeremiah 23:23-29 and Luke 12:49-56 (God's Word, Jesus Christ, is the fire and hammer that breaks the stone of teaching, who tests and tries that teaching for God's kingdom and purposes.)

8-12-07

Jonathan Millard

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8-05-07

Jonathan Millard

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JLUY 2007

7-29-07

Grant Lemarquand

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7-22-07

Jean DeVaty

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7-15-07

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7-08-07

Jonathan Millard

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7-01-09

Frank Bernardi

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JUNE 2007

6-24-07

Jack Gabig

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6-17-07

Jonathan Millard

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