MESSAGE NOTES | MARCH 14 2021



Christ's Return

Article 9

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Our Statement of Faith has a flow to it. It demands a resolution to the story, to history.

- 1. There is overwhelming biblical support for Christ's return.
- 2. Christ's return will be personal, bodily, *unmistakable*, *unavoidable* and glorious (Matthew 24:29-31; Acts 1:1-11; Revelation 1:7-8).
- 3. Christ's return will be *premillennial*, beginning His literal 1,000 year reign on the earth (Revelation 20:1-10).
- 4. Christ's return will be a time of great *vindication* (Revelation 19; Colossians 3:4).
- 5. The exact time of Christ's return is not for us to know (Matthew 24:3, 36; Acts 1:6-7).
- 6. The delay of Christ's return should cause us to *marvel* rather than scoff (2 Peter 3:3-9).
- 7. The anticipation of Christ's return purifies the way we live (1 John 3:1-3; Titus 2:11-14).
- 8. Our world is unwittingly *groaning* for Christ's return (Romans 8:19-25).

THE **ONE THING:** Keep your chin up!

NFXTSTEPS

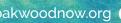
- Memorize Titus 2:13 or 1 John 3:2-3.
- O Take a side trip through Titus 2:1-15
- Continue your journey with your WBE small group.
- Keep your chin up!

DISCOVERY QUESTIONS FOR FAMILY OR GROUP DISCUSSION

Check-In: Since we last met, how did your "I will..." and sharing go?

- 1. What are you thankful for? What challenge or stress are you facing? Do you know anyone who needs help at this time? As a group, how can we help?
- 2. Read **REVELATION 1:1-9** together (at least twice), and take turns retelling it in your own words as if sharing with a friend who isn't here.
- 3. What stands out to you and why? What do these verses tell us about God? What do these verses tell us about humanity/about us?
- 4. If this is God speaking, how will you apply it to your life? (Share a specific: "I will...")
- 5. Who will you share with before we meet again? (Name a specific person you plan to share with.)

If you'd like to learn more about the discovery group process, connect with marcus@oakwoodnow.org





OAKWOOD ONLINE BULLETIN

MARCH 14

SUNDAY

SERVICES

9 & 10:30 AM ON-SITE SERVICES 9 AM YOUTUBE LIVESTREAM

- ▶ Read these FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS about worshiping at Oakwood.
- ▶ Offering boxes are located on-site. Check out the MANY WAYS TO GIVE TO OAKWOOD including online and text aivina.

CONNECTION & PRAYER CARD

- ▶ Guests, we're so glad you're joining us! We'd love to connect with you and answer your questions! Click **HERE** to get started.
- ▶ Scroll to page 2 to find the **Message Notes**, or record notes in your We Believe Experience journal.

KIDS

▶ 9 AM | KIDS MINISTRY PROGRAMMING

Parents, drop off your kids for a fun time in God's Word. Read about what they'll be learning **HERE**.

- 4-year-olds-1st graders: meet upstairs in the Kids Zone
- 2nd -5th graders: meet downstairs in the Gathering Place
- MESSAGE-BASED KIDS BULLETIN

Crayons are available on-site.

STUDENTS

▶ 9 AM | HIGH SCHOOL ROOM | ZOOM

Middle and High School students: meet us for a Bible study through Ephesians and Prayer Replay.

STAY CONNECTED DURING THE WEEK

ALL CHURCH

FINANCIAL SECRETARY VOTE MARCH 14 | BETWEEN SERVICES | LOBBY

Members will vote to confirm Melissa Whitehead for financial secretary. The Oakwood Financial Secretary is elected for a three-year term. This person shall ensure proper receipting of all money Oakwood receives, and keep proper records of the source and purpose for the money given.

WE BELIEVE EXPERIENCE **THROUGH MARCH 21**

This week we're reading about Article 9 in our Statement of Faith: Christ's Return. Follow along in your print journal or the **DIGITAL JOURNAL**

WE BELIEVE EXPERIENCE Q& A MARCH 21 | 11:30 AM | HIGH SCHOOL ROOM OR ONLINE

If you're wrestling with any questions as you're listening to our beliefs and reading Scripture, be sure to enter them in our **PARKING LOT**. Join us to hear all of the questions and answers during our Q&A session with Pastor Roger. MORE INFO AND REGISTER

"COME. FOLLOW JESUS!" AT-HOME EXPERIENCE MARCH 28-APRIL 4

Journey with Jesus during Holy Week using this interactive experience. **SIGN UP** to receive a "Come, follow Jesus!" package that includes a booklet with Scripture readings, reflection questions and some materials for activities at home! Pick up packages beginning March 21.

GOOD FRIDAY WORSHIP EXPERIENCE APRIL 2 | 7 PM | WORSHIP CENTER

Join us at Oakwood for an hour of reflective worship and prayer as we remember Jesus' death on the cross.

EASTER SUNDAY | APRIL 4 9 & 10:30 AM | ON-SITE SERVICES 9 AM I YOUTUBE LIVESTREAM

He is risen! Join the victory celebration! Worship together with your family on this Holiday Sunday! There will not be a Family-Focused Venue. Kids and student programming will resume April 11.

MISSIONS

JIM & KELLEY SAUTNER | CRU

Jim and Kelley Sautner, who direct a ministry for the deaf with CRÚ, ask for prayer for the deaf during the pandemic. The wearing of masks makes it incredibly difficult for the deaf community to communicate because they can't rely on facial expressions or lipreading.

MIDDLE SCHOOL

YOUTH GROUP

MAR. 17 | 6:30-8 PM | MIDDLE SCHOOL ROOM 7-8 PM | ZOOM

DIG IN: PIZZA AND BIBLE STUDY MAR. 19 | 6-7 PM | MARTY'S PIZZA, DELAFIELD **MORE INFO AND REGISTER**

HIGH SCHOOL

WORSHIP & DEVOS MAR, 17 | 8-9 PM | HIGH SCHOOL ROOM & ZOOM

ADULTS

PLUG IN AT OAKWOOD

Are you a medical or food service professional? Is singing or tech a passion of yours? Perhaps you enjoy meeting new people. If so, we have opportunities to serve through Oakwood. EMAIL US!

MARRIAGE MENTORING

A fulfilling marriage requires investing time and effort. Oakwood's Marriage Ministry Team provides mentoring to help nurture your relationship and promote a lasting marriage. **LEARN MORE**.

