

A Christian Reformed Church

Glorifying God by Knowing, Living and Proclaiming our Hope in Christ

**TODAY'S MESSAGE** 

Salvation and Apostasy

Judges 2:1—3:6

**JULY 13, 2025** 

**Pastor Scott Roberts** 

## Welcome!

Welcome to Hope in Christ Church. We are so glad you have joined us today!



# Order of Worship

Jesus Shall Reign

#### Welcome

Call to Worship—Psalm 19:1-6

Psalm 19

May the Mind of Christ, My Savior

O Lord, My Rock and My Redeemer

Confession and Assurance—Psalm 19:7-14

Spirit of God, Who Dwells Within My Heart

## **Prayer**

Judges 2:1—3:6, Reader - Philip

**Sermon:** Salvation and Apostasy

I Am Not My Own

## **Benediction**

Hold Me Savior



**Today's Offering** is for the General Fund. There is a collection basket next to the sound booth.

# **God is Moving Mountains**

Haile didn't really have faith that God could heal the man. He prayed, but he didn't expect anything to happen.

Halie is a Bible student supported by ICR. After experiencing persecution from his family after he became a believer, Haile wanted to study the Bible and he wanted to share the true hope that he had found in Jesus. During his free time from school, Haile travels to various regions to pray for people. In one village, the community asked him to pray for a paralytic. The family had sought treatment from many occult healers to no avail. The man was paralyzed and couldn't walk.

When Haile saw him, he thought there was no way the man could ever be healed.

"He's too sick, and he's too involved with the occult," Haile thought. He prayed out of politeness and left.

Secretly, he hoped they'd never call Haile to pray again. But they did, and they had a story to tell Haile. After Haile prayed, every night the family could hear the man's bones making a strange cracking sound. This happened every night for several weeks, until the man was completely healed and could walk again.

The whole family became Christians, and many more in the village also gave their lives to Christ. There are now three house church groups in the village, and Haile continues to lead the three groups, teaching them to be disciples of Jesus. He said, "Please pray that we will have more laborers for the harvest, and that more people will get theological training."

## How to Pray:

- 1. Praise God, the miracle worker, who healed the paralytic's body and brought New Life to the many who subsequently gave their life to him.
  - 2. Pray that God would bring more Christian workers to teach new believers what the bible says.
- 3. Pray for more people to share God's good news with unbelievers so God's kingdom may continue to grow.

#### For More Information Visit:

https://christianresponse.org/news/haile-didnt-believe/

## Sermon Outline

## **Salvation and Apostasy**

Judges 2:1—3:6

- I. A theological introduction
- II. A divine appearance (Judg 2:1-5)
  - A. God comes to speak (Judge 2:1)
    - 1. Reminds his people of his saving activity on their behalf
    - 2. Reminds of the covenant and its stipulations (Judge 2:2)
    - 3. Rebukes for other covenants they made (Judge 2:2, Judge 3:6, Mal 2:14)
    - 4. Faithfulness to his promises to bless and to curse (Dt 27, 28:15-68, 28:25, 48, 29:24-28, 30:1-3)
  - B. The people wept: Contrition or consequence (Judge 2:4)
- III. Joshua's death (Judg 2:6-10)
  - A. Joshua was a faithful leader of Israel
  - B. What happened A dead faith?

IV. Apostasy (Judges 2:11-3:6)
A. Defining apostasy (Judge 2:11-13, 17, 20, 3:6)
<ul><li>B. God's response to apostasy (Judge 2:12, 14, 20-22)</li><li>1. Anger is mentioned three times</li></ul>
2. Giving over to people who abuse them
3. No longer enjoying the blessings of the covenant (not drive out)
4. Testing by God to discern the heart/obedience
C. An ignorance problem, not an experiential problem (Judge 2:20)
D. Godly response to apostasy in one's life  1. Repentance
2. Cultivate intimacy with God
V. Applying to our life  A. God calls his people to relationship with him

B. God uses thorns to breed dependence

## **Announcements**

**CHURCH SNACKS:** Hospitality has decided to only serve beverages on Sundays throughout the summer as more people are on vacations. Help setting up, serving, and cleaning up the coffee, tea, and juice is still greatly appreciated. Next time you see the volunteer sign-up sheet in your inbox, please consider if this is a way you'd be willing to serve.

**BIRCH BAY BBQ DATE:** Please save **SUNDAY, JULY 27 at 2pm** for an all church BBQ at Birch Bay. We hope to see everyone there!

**CAMP WITH LEGACY:** Legacy has invited our members to join them in a camping trip this year at an awesome private campground called Bryce Creek Campground. It is near Vedder Mountain and the Canadian Border. You can learn more about this camp with Legacy at

MISSIONARY RECEPTION: Javier & Jeannette Leyva from Shoulder to Shoulder Ministry in Mexico will be having a reception to share about their ministry and how God is calling them to move forward. It will be held at HCC on Tuesday, July 15 from 7-9pm. Javier will also be sharing during and after our service on Sunday, July 20.

**TENNESSEE RIVER BOYS CONCERT:** The Tennessee River Boys will hold a concert on July 26 at 6 p.m. at Faith Community Church, 586 Birch Bay-Lynden Road, Lynden. You will be inspired and encouraged by the praise and worship of this group, which includes Rick Hammer, formerly of the Circuit Riders. Admission is free, and there will be a freewill offering and refreshments after. For more information, call Mary Ann at .

**HOME/ROOM NEEDED:** A recent Christian college grad is moving to Bellingham and is in search of a place to live. She loves community and would enjoy a roommate or a room with a family. Contact Ruthie at if you know of any opportunities.

# Hospitality for Sunday, July 20, 2025

Set up: Needed Serve: Needed

Clean-up: Needed

# Servants for Sunday, July 20, 2025

Greeters: Needed Scripture Reader: Damon
Foyer Monitor: Dan Prayer Room: Needed

## **Council Members and Districts**

Council President: Dan Obbink (360-393-5171)

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## **CHURCH OFFICE HOURS**

Mon - Thurs: 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.



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