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Thank you for joining us for worship today! Please remember to silence your electronic devices before service starts. **Extra Seating** for worship is available in the fellowship hall.

Women's Fellowship is doing a "*Diaper Drive*" for Beginnings during the month of August. There is information in the lobby about current needs (or go to *diaper drive information*). There is a pack-n-play in the fellowship hall for donations.

"The Chosen -- Part 3" -- Episode 6: "Intensity in Tent City" this Wednesday, August 16 at 7:00 p.m. at the church. Bring a snack to share.

Church Council meets on August 20 following worship service. Budget requests are due at this meeting for fiscal year 2023/2024.

"Leave some....take some" There is a table in the lobby for any surplus you might have from your garden. If you don't have a garden....take some!

Church Directory -- The "summer edition" of the directory is available in the lobby. If you need to make changes or want to be included, please complete a "Connect" card and drop in the offering plate.

For the parents of our little ones -- Please feel free to use the nursery (up the stairs and first door on the left). The service is available to view in there. Young children will be dismissed for *Children's Church* during morning worship if they wish to attend.

Financial Update:

July Regular Collections \$26,776.25 Average Attendance - in house 125 online 150

Ways to Give: Offering plates are in the lobby. Donations can be made online by going to <u>bethelgilead.org</u> (Donate tab), or by scanning the QR code to the left and using PayPal. You can authorize a monthly debit from your bank account by completing a form (contact the office).

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Call to Worship: Come Now is the Time **Announcements and Opening Prayer**

Worship Songs: Open the Eyes

WayMaker Reckless Love Cornerstone Raise a Hallelujah

The Sufficiency of Faith: Is Faith Enough?

Presenting question: Are there God ordained roles for men and women? (i.e. Do women have to submit to male leadership?)

God is not a God of disorder (1 Corinthians 14:33)

I. Three Social Institutes and Leadership Roles

Submit yourselves for the Lord's sake to every authority instituted among men. (1 Peter 2:13)

- 1. Marriage/family -- husband, wife, father, mother
- 2. Nation/government -- king, governor, civil magistrate
- 3. Church/ministry -- elders, deacons, gifted leaders

II. The Fall = Curses, Chaos and Confusion! (Genesis 3)

- *Relinquishing responsibility
- *Role confusion
- *Abuse of power

III. Redemption and Restored Order

- *A New Creation (2 Corinthians 5:17)
- *God's kingdom come (<u>Matthew 6:10</u>)
- *The Final Freedom (Romans 8:18-25)

IV. <u>Biblical Tension</u>

"It's always easier to go to a consistent extreme than to stay at the center of biblical tension" Robertson McQuilkin

In the home (Ephesians 5:21-6:3; Genesis 3:16)

In the nation (<u>I Peter 2:13-17</u>)

In the church (I Corinthians 14:33-40; I Timothy 2:11-15)

*Some examples of female leaders

Application

- 1. Do you believe in God's design and order for the social institutes?
- 2. What God-given roles do you occupy?
- 3. Are you carrying out your responsibilities before God?

Closing Song: The Blessing

Our Mission

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Prayer Concerns

Recent additions

The family of Sherry McNees
The family of Kim Paul
The Wickey Family -- loss of grandson and nephew
Glen Goheen -- in hospice care
Infant Charli Anae Dules -- difficulty nursing
Jill and Russ Siler -- loss of Jill's brother
Family of Jonas Rigg
Family of Marvin Lindsey
Angelina James -- treatment for Chronic Fatigue Syndrome
Marcia Lane -- heart concerns
Nikki Maertin -- strength and recovery after mild stroke

Continue to Remember Those in Need

Tim McKinley -- treatment for digestive issues de Araujo family -- special needs grandson, Luke The Carpenter Family Dale Davis -- dialysis and gall bladder issues Lisa Franks -- pain management

Remember Our Homebound/Shut In Members

Betty Carpenter -- Laurels Norita Skinner -- Maple Lawn Don Rubley -- at home

Pray for our nation and the world during these uncertain days