

- ...(Psalms 36:5)
- **'love depth'**: "My deep need calls out to the deep kindness of Your love...yet all day long God's promises of love pour over me." (Psalms 42:7-8 TPT)

3. LOVE does originate with: **us** or **God**

- God is _____. (1 John 4:8)
- **T** or **F**: God loves us because we first loved God. (1 Jn. 4:19)

4. Jesus said, "Without Me, you can do nothing". (John 15:5)
Many can teach about God-Love, but does God-Love show up in power when they are present? The days of following 'empty, dead and powerless religion are over! A new Kingdom of Love ERA is here!'

5. Here in our church should be a "NO COMPETITION ZONE"!

- Our problem here we find the word in Philippians 4:11: "...for I have learned how to be **content** with whatever I have." (NKJV) **Other translations**: "Not that I speak from [any personal] need, for I have learned to be content [and self-sufficient through Christ, satisfied to the point where **I am not disturbed or uneasy**] regardless of my circumstances." (Philippians 4:11 AMP) or "Not that I was ever in need, for I have **learned how to get along happily** whether I have much or little." (Philippians 4:11 TLB)
- Watch out the two words: "**envy**" or "**jealousy**".

- Like the story of Cain and Abel; Esau and Jacob; Joseph and his brothers; Abraham and Lot; and Daniel and political leaders what we have learned about this. Do you want to have a tragedy in your life or your church?

6. Do we believe we are better 'TOGETHER'? We need to be a "NO COMPETITION ZONE" variety of people because we're in it together, aren't we?

7. For the sake of the Gospel of the Kingdom of our dear Lord Jesus Christ, we want us to **DECLARE** a "NO COMPETITION ZONE" where we are _____ and not competitors!

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TODAY'S SCHEDULE:

Sunday Morning Class:.....9:30am

Church Service:.....11:00am

Welcome:

Announcement:

Tithes/Love offering:

Children's Ministry:

Worship/Song

Sermon:.....**"NO COMPETITION ZONE!"** (pt 2)



UPCOMING EVENTS

THIS WEEK:

FEBRUARY 15th 2023:

WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE GROUP @ 6:30pm here

@ CDC basement.

Bryon Nelson leads a

Bible class.

FEBRUARY 19th 2023:

REMIND THERE WILL BE NO NEXT SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS DUE OUR PASTOR WILL BE OUT OF TOWN. The class will resumed on Feb. 26th.

APRIL 21-23, 2023:

19th ANNUAL NW DEAF MEN'S RETREAT hosted by Deaf Ekklesia of Salem, OR @ FALL CREEK RETREAT & CONFERENCE CENTER @ Raymond, WA. The

guest speaker: Jackson Brown of Riverside, CA. The register fee is \$175.00 per man.

ANNOUNCEMENT!

SIGN UP! If any of you interesting to volunteer to be guest speaker or more or sing songs or giving testimonies on Feb. 19 while our Pastor is out of town.

WHAT DO YOU THINK?

"If you correct someone who makes fun of wisdom, you will get insulted. If you correct an evil person, you will get hurt. Do not correct someone who makes fun of wisdom, or he will hate you..." (Proverbs 9:7-8 ICB)



5783-2023 PROPHECY

• The Lord said: “You are stepping into an interesting year, marked by My Victory. There will be battles, turmoil and unrest, but be rest assured that you will be witness the greatest display of My deliverance.”

• “Big names will be found guilty, accused, condemned and fired.” So, do not fear or be dismayed, for you will be protected and comforted. Thieves will be exposed by their closet associates, and evil ‘inner circles’ will break, turn against each other and expose each other.”

• **The Isaiah 60 Church walks in HOPE.** We grow in hope by focusing on TRUTH. **The Isaiah 60 Church walks in FAVOR.** God’s favor on our lives is a work of His grace. But, as we grow in hope, it actually opens

the door to His favor on our lives. **The Isaiah 60 Church walks in PEACE and WELL BEING.** We learn to walk in peace by cultivating it during trials and times of crises. **The Isaiah 60 Church walks in INTIMACY.**



Pray for Ron S.-his health.

Pray for Melissa N-her breakthrough.

PROPHECY NEWS

NEWS: ADA sidewalk violation lawsuit against the city of Portland is ‘getting worse’ to resolution.

NEWS: ‘City in Crisis’, finding solutions: Neighbors say new BottleDrop attracts homeless.

Bible Quiz

1. In the Bible, who is said to have lived on a diet of locusts and wild honey?

2. Name the longest book of the Bible with 150 chapters?

3. Who was the older brother of Moses?

REFRESHMENT STATION

A Joyful 'toon by Mike Waters



so that by God's will I may come to you with joy and together with you be refreshed.
— ROMANS 15:32 NIV

SERIES OF EPHESIANS

#07 SERMON NOTE 2023

“NO COMPETITION ZONE” (Ephesians 3:18)

“...may be able to comprehend with all the saints what is the width and length and depth and height— (NKJV)

OTHER TRANSLATIONS:

“...then you and all of the holy people will be able to completely understand the meaning of Christ’s love—how wide it is, how long it is, how high it is, and how deep it is.” (SEB)

“...and may you be able to feel and understand, as all God’s children should, how long, how wide, how deep, and how high His LOVE really is;” (TLB)

“...so that you with all God’s people may be strong enough to grasp the idea of the breadth (width) and length, and the height and depth,...” (WIL)

“Then, as your spiritual strength increase, you will be empowered to discover what every holy one experiences—the great magnitude of the astonishing love of Christ in all its dimensions. How deeply intimate and far-reaching is His LOVE! How enduring and inclusive it is!” (TPT)

1. First of all, the word ‘comprehend’ in Greek word ‘katalambano’. It defines ‘to lay hold of’ or ‘to seize upon’. Also ‘to lay hold of with the mind to understand, perceive, learn, comprehend’. In a good sense, of Christ by His holy power and influence laying hold of the human mind and will, in order to prompt and govern it. Another word ‘to detect, catch, grasp’.

2. So it means you must ‘detect, catch, or grasp’ the idea of the width, the length, the height, and the depth.

- **‘love width’:** “because the love of God has been poured out in our heart by the Holy Spirit...” (Romans 5:5)
- **‘love length’:** “Love is patient”. (1 Corinthians 13:4 CSB)
- **‘love height’:** “Your lovingkindness and graciousness, O’ Lord, is as high as the heavens or is as vast as the heavens;...”