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*"I have not come to call the righteous but sinners to repentance."
– Luke 5:32 (ESV)*

Dr. Bryan's Sunday Message
Listen UP! Series
What Was and What Is
Luke 5:27-39

We invite you to join Dr. Bryan at 11:00 Sunday morning as he brings this message online and also for Bible Study online on Wednesday evenings at 6:00 p.m. You can watch the messages on our Website at this link - www.hillcrestbaptistaugusta.org/sermons-and-bible-studies - or on our Facebook page on Sundays - www.facebook.com/HillcrestBaptistChurchAugusta. **You also have the option to listen to Sunday and Wednesday messages by phone. If you wish to use this option, please call this number – 706-230-6070 - a minute or so before 11:00 a.m. on Sunday and 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday. Please mute your phone and wait for the message to begin.**

We hope you have had a good week. Please let us know if we can help you by sending us an email message to hillcrestbaptist@comcast.net. You may also call the church office at 706.793.3104 and leave us a voice mail message. Someone will respond to your request very soon.



Office Hours
during the
Pandemic

The church office continues
to be closed. Our office staff
are working virtually, phone

calls are transferred so they can be addressed, and any financial needs are also being addressed. Someone checks the mail daily to ensure any and all tithe checks or other critical mail is handled. Please continue to mail your tithes if that is your best way to submit them; if you prefer, you can tithe online at the Hillcrest Baptist Church website.

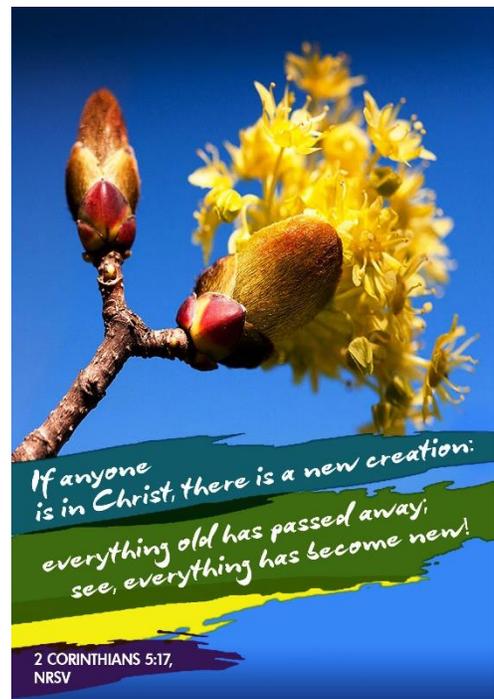
Stay well, stay safe, and we look forward to the day we are all together in worship!

Giving Your Tithes and Offerings

Thank you for your faithfulness in giving your tithes and offerings. Please continue to give by mailing your offering to the church, or donating online on our Website at www.hillcrestbaptistaugusta.org/give.



Our Goal: \$3,500 Received: \$2,534



Sermon Notes for Sunday, May 17, 2020

Listen UP! Series ***What Was and What Is*** ***Luke 5:27-39***

They asked Jesus two critical questions:

1. Why do you eat and drink with sinners? (v.30)
2. Why do you feast instead of fast? (v.33)

Jesus' answers distinguish the difference between what was and what is. All of us cling to the familiar, the past, the routines of life, and our traditions laced by personal preferences and habits. Some of these are healthy and some are spiritually spoiled. We are asking Jesus many questions in this time of transition as well. We must "listen up" to His answers and be willing to never substitute the good for the better or the best as He is teaching us how to live within this current reality.

Maybe it's best to ask our own question: Why did Jesus come to us then and why is He coming again now to confront and to complete us?

1. He comes to bring us a cure – as a Physician. (vv. 27-32)
 - The Pharisees repelled sinners; Jesus attracted them.
 - Some think they are well, but Jesus sees our disease.
 - Jesus has a divine diagnosis for us all.

There are two types of patients Jesus Christ cannot heal:

- Ones who will not admit their illness.
- Ones who will not trust Him for a cure.

2. He comes to bring us joy – as a Bridegroom (vv. 33-35)
 - Marriage begins with love and leads to joy.
 - The Christian life is a wedding feast, not a funeral!
 - God gives us "richly all things to enjoy." (1 Timothy 6:17)
3. He comes to bring us something new – as a Transformer.
 - Jesus was a transformer, not a conformer, nor a reformer.
 - He transformed the old to fulfill the new (Matthew 5:17)
 - Jesus is no patchwork or mismatch. (2 Corinthians 5:17)

Three closing questions:

- How well do you handle change?
- Are you "new" in Christ?
- Are you feasting or fasting – fellowshiping or "funeralizing?"

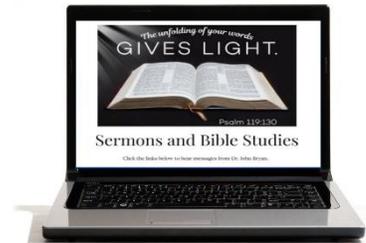


Hillcrest at Home

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