

PRAY

- 1. Leaders in worship: Pastor Brad Martin  
Josh Strother, & Austin Nicholson
- 2. The Holy Spirit will move in our corporate  
worship gathering, leading us to exalt  
Jesus Christ.
- 3. Shady Oaks Baptist Church will grow in  
Christ-exalting, Gospel-advancing  
ministry in 2017.
- 4. Pray that God will move on us to be  
more evangelistic through our obedience  
in sharing the Gospel.

PREPARING FOR THE MESSAGE

“Experiencing Failures Through God’s Eyes”  
John 15, 21

Pastor Brad will lead us in God’s Word this Sunday to consider how to deal with our failures in life. We will study the story of Peter after he denied Jesus three times, and hear what Jesus said to him. Prepare for Sunday by reading John 15, 18 and 21. What does this aspect of Peter’s life teach us about failures, forgiveness, and how can we recover from failures? All of us have experienced failures in life. Some have never recovered from their failures and stopped living for Christ. This Sunday we will see there is hope for all who follow Jesus.

MUSIC & WORSHIP

PRAISE & ADORATION

Here For You

Jesse Reeves, Matt Maher,  
Matt Redman, Tim Wanstall

Our God

Chris Tomlin, Jesse Reeves,  
Jonas Myrin, Matt Redman

Jesus Paid It All

Kristian Stanfill/Passion Band

Scripture & Offertory Prayer

Your Name

Paul Baloche

Here For You

Jesse Reeves, Matt Maher,  
Matt Redman, Tim Wanstall

Let our praise be Your welcome  
Let our songs be a sign  
We are here for You, we are here for You  
Let Your breath come from heaven  
Fill our hearts with Your life  
We are here for You, we are here for You

To You our hearts are open  
Nothing here is hidden  
You are our one desire  
You alone are holy  
Only You are worthy  
God, let Your fire fall down

Let our shout be Your anthem  
Your renown fill the skies  
We are here for You, we are here for You  
Let Your Word move in power  
Let what's dead come to life  
We are here for You, we are here for You

To You our hearts are open  
Nothing here is hidden  
You are our one desire  
You alone are holy  
Only You are worthy  
God, let Your fire fall down

Your Name

Paul Baloche

As morning dawns and evenings fades,  
You inspire songs of praise  
That rise from earth to touch Your heart  
and glorify Your Name

Your Name is a strong and mighty tower  
Your Name is a shelter like no other  
Your Name, let the nations sing it louder  
'Cause nothing has the power to save  
But Your Name

Jesus, in Your Name we pray  
Come and fill our hearts today  
Lord, give us strength to live for You and  
glorify Your Name

Your Name is a strong and mighty tower  
Your Name is a shelter like no other  
Your Name, let the nations sing it louder  
'Cause nothing has the power to save  
But Your Name

**RESPOND TO THE SERMON**

**LIFE GIVING TRUTH:** Because we've been forgiven, and filled with the spirit, we can live fearless for God!

**RESPONSE:** When we acknowledge how great our sin is, repent of our sin, and turn to Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of our sins, we can see how GREAT our God is! From the moment we are forgiven of our sins, the Holy Spirit indwells Himself in our lives to empower us to live for Jesus Christ and share the Gospel with everyone we know with boldness.

**TRUTH:** Everyone Has Experienced Failures.

**RESPONSE:** No matter who you are or what you've done, we have all experienced failures in life. Maybe the failure was in your marriage, parenting a child, in a business decision, or because of sin. Have you dealt with your failures by taking them to the Lord? Or have you allowed your failures to paralyze you and hold you back from growing in Christ?

**TRUTH:** Everyone Can Experience Forgiveness And Fellowship.

**RESPONSE:** No matter what failures we've experienced in life, we can have hope that Jesus can forgive us. Do you believe that Jesus Christ has the power to forgive you no matter how deep your sin or great your failures?

In what parts of your spiritual life is God calling you to go deeper (e.g. prayer, Bible reading, Christian fellowship, worship, evangelism, etc.)?

To pursue Christ, you must stop looking back. Our past can paralyze us from making progress in the present. You must stop looking back at past failures, which the enemy will use to convince you that God cannot use you and has nothing more for you.

How often do you find yourself "looking back"? Do you usually allow past failures to influence your present pursuit of Christ? What does not looking back mean for you?

**TRUTH:** Everyone Can Experience Full Restoration

**RESPONSE:** There is only one requirement to serve the Lord. LOVE! Do you love Jesus? If yes, then experience His forgiveness and serve Him. Do you love Jesus? If yes, then fellowship with Him in worship, Bible study, and prayer individually and corporately. Do you love Jesus? If yes, then believe by faith He has the power to restore you to full ministry capacity. His Holy Spirit will empower you to glorify Him and share the Gospel to others. How is God calling you specifically through this passage, and how do you intend to respond to His call?

**FAMILY RESPONSE**

**Sunday, August 13 "Seeing Failures Through God's Eyes"**

**John 15, 21**

This week spend some time with your family and talk about some of the failures you're comfortable sharing, and talk about how you felt at the time of your failure. How do you feel now about your failure?

Talk with your family about being honest with God and each other when we experience failure. Remind each other that when we take our failures to God, He will forgive us. Parents, this week when you see your kids fail, how will you respond to them? Let's strive to respond to them like our Heavenly Father responds to us when we fail.

Failure is difficult to overcome. We read that Peter and his friends wanted to go back to their old lifestyle because they felt they failed at being one of Jesus' disciples. Remember, Jesus spoke to Peter like one of His friends, and in their talking, Peter confessed the sin of his denial and professed His love to Him. Jesus reinstated Peter to ministry, and called him to follow Jesus! This week, lead your family to spend time in prayer with Jesus to confess your failures. Ask Him to forgive, restore you and commit to follow Him!