

The Perplexity About the Savior

Romans 11:33-36

December 17, 2017 (AM)

Christmas Truth: God's plan of salvation is beyond human comprehension, apart from God-given revelation.

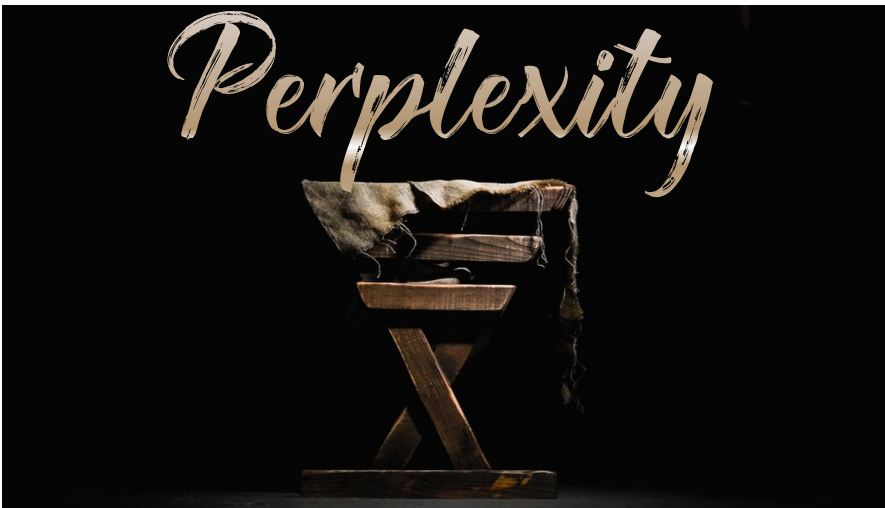
- I. The _____
 - A. God _____ creation into existence - "In the beginning." (Genesis 1:1-26)
 - B. God _____ Jesus to earth - "... when the fullness of the time came." (Galatians 4:4)

- II. The _____
 - A. Jesus was _____ of a virgin - Mary.
 - B. Jesus was _____ in Mary - from the Holy Spirit.

- III. The _____
 - A. _____ and _____ were amazed at the words Simeon spoke about Jesus (infant).
 - B. _____ who heard Jesus (12 years old) were amazed at His understanding and answers, while sitting in the temple among teachers.

- IV. The _____
 - A. Multitudes followed Jesus in amazement because of His authoritative _____.
 - B. Multitudes followed Jesus in amazement because of His gospel _____.
 - C. Multitudes followed Jesus in amazement because of His healing _____.

- V. The _____
 - A. Jesus' deep love astounds us because of what He sacrificed - His _____.
 - B. Jesus' deep love astounds us because of who we are - unworthy _____.
 - C. Jesus' deep love astounds us because of how great the benefits are - _____.
 - D. Jesus' deep love astounds us because of how freely He suffered and died - _____.



WORSHIP GATHERING

“Angels, From the Realms of Glory”

PRAYER AND WELCOME

“The First Noel”

“O Come Let Us Adore Him”

PRAYER

OFFERING

“Hallelujah to the Baby Who Came”

MESSAGE

PRAYER AND COMMITMENT

DEACON PRAYER

9:00 a.m. - Charlie Yates

10:30 a.m. - Gary Clark

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Everyone is encouraged to give to the **International Mission Offering** during the month of December. Use the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering envelopes available in the pews.
- **Christmas Caroling & Chick-fil-A Dinner** is Wednesday, December 20. Enjoy a Chick-fil-A sandwich, potato chips, and drink for \$5. Dinner will begin at 4:45 p.m. Caroling will follow dinner. Anyone participating in caroling should meet in Boatner Hall at 5:45 p.m. Childcare will be provided for children ages 2 and under. (Prayer meeting will still be held at 6:00 p.m. for those not caroling.) Today is the deadline to sign up.
- There will be one **Christmas Eve service** at 10:00 a.m. Sunday, December 24. There will be no Sunday School or evening worship.

Pastor’s Year End Celebration and Plea

As I look back on church life in 2017, several causes for celebration come to mind. God blessed the Park Place family with around 75 new members. Over 25 people professed faith in Christ through the church’s ministries. God used church members to retire the church debt. God blessed us with attractive and functional renovation of facilities. Other blessings include increased average attendance, a sweet spirit, and successful mission and ministry endeavors.

The year-end may prompt some church members to consider tithing and giving offerings before the new year. If you have not given for Sundays you have missed, please determine the amount you have neglected to give and “catch up.” Year to date budget giving is short of budget needs by around \$75,000. Contributions will be used wisely for God’s glory. In addition, less than \$10,000 is needed to reach the \$1 million goal for R3. Please make sure you have given your pledged amount, if possible. Feel free to give beyond your pledged amount. Members are encouraged to give at the end of R3 even if no individual pledge was made. Tithes and offerings given Sunday, December 31 will be considered as 2017 contributions. Checks can be mailed to the church. The postmark must be before December 31 for the contribution to be included in 2017. Contributions may also be brought to the church office by 11:00 a.m. Friday, December 29. Please give joyfully in response to God’s written Word and the Word that became flesh and dwelt among us!

Lastly, we plan to begin the new year with an emphasis on evangelism and outreach. Everyone is urged to invite others to hear a clear gospel presentation Sunday morning, January 7. I am hoping and praying that over 700 people will hear the gospel and respond positively. Please join me in inviting guests for this day of potential harvest.

That afternoon, plan to gather around 5:15 p.m. for a delicious meal followed by a time of teaching and challenge. GOSPEL THREADS, taught by Bro. Chad, will help us have meaningful conversations with those who may not be saved. I am hoping and praying for over 450 people to participate that evening.

Let’s give ourselves to God the first Sunday of the year in these ways to see what He will do for our good and His glory! Will you join others and me?

Bro. Keith

CONTRIBUTION REPORT

Weekly Budget Receipts	\$29,744
Weekly Budget Required	\$34,227
Giving over (under) budget	(\$4,483)
Debt Retirement	\$62
Global Impact	\$103
Other	\$3,160
R3	\$736
Total Received	\$33,805

INFORMATION

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 Channel 35 - Direct TV & Uverse