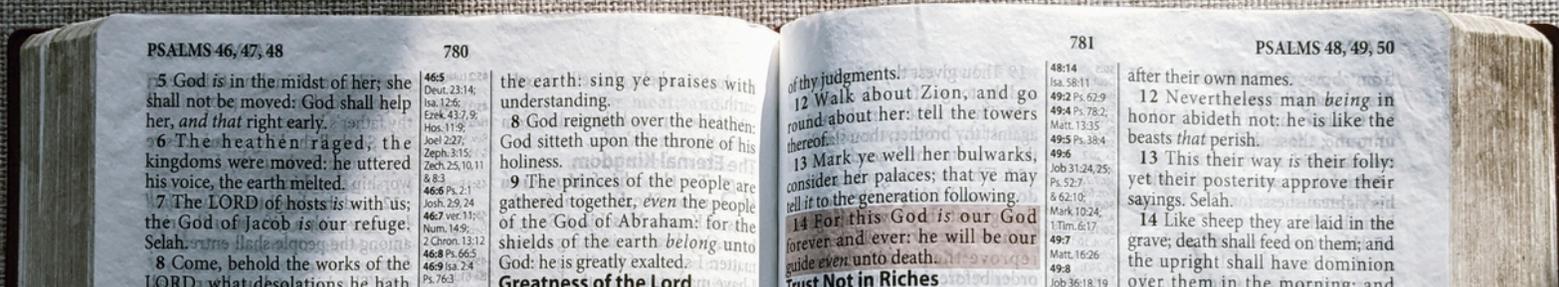


Sermon Weekly Devotions



“Woe to Y’all”

Day 1: Heed God’s Loving Warning: “Woe” Calls Us to Repentance

God’s warnings are not harsh condemnations but loving calls to turn from self-centeredness and spiritual complacency, just as the prophet Amos delivered a “woe” to those at ease in Zion who ignored the suffering around them. When we become comfortable and focus on our own prosperity, we risk losing sight of God’s heart for justice, mercy, and care for others. God’s “woe” is the roar of the Lion of Judah, shaking us from apathy and calling us back to His ways, not to harm us but to save us from the destruction that comes from living for ourselves. Let us listen for where God is saying “woe” in our lives, and respond with humble repentance and a renewed commitment to live as His people. [37:23]

Amos 6:1, 4-7 (ESV)

“Woe to those who are at ease in Zion, and to those who feel secure on the mountain of Samaria, the notable men of the first of the nations, to whom the house of Israel comes! ... Woe to those who lie on beds of ivory and stretch themselves out on their couches, and eat lambs from the flock and calves from the midst of the stall, who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp and like David invent for themselves instruments of music, who drink wine in bowls and anoint themselves with the finest oils, but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph! Therefore they shall now be the first of those who go into exile, and the revelry of those who stretch themselves out shall pass away.”

Reflection: Where in your life are you ignoring God’s warnings and choosing comfort or self-interest over caring for others or following His ways?

Day 2: Embrace the Fullness of God’s Word

It is tempting to pick and choose the parts of Scripture that are comfortable or affirming, but God calls us to receive the whole counsel of His Word—even the parts that challenge us or call us to change. When we edit God’s Word to fit our preferences, we risk creating a god in our own image and losing the transforming power of the true Gospel. The fullness of Scripture reveals both God’s love and His call to holiness, and it is through this complete revelation that we come to know Him and His will for our lives. Let us approach the Bible with humility, asking the Holy Spirit to open our hearts to all that God wants to teach and change in us. [50:13]

2 Timothy 3:16-17 (ESV)

“All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.”

Reflection: Is there a part of God’s Word you tend to avoid or dismiss because it makes you uncomfortable? What would it look like to trust God with that area today?

Day 3: Jesus Loves Us Too Much to Leave Us in Our Sin

God's love is not a passive acceptance of our brokenness, but an active, costly love that sent Jesus to rescue us from sin and death. Jesus does not merely forgive and leave us unchanged; He calls us to "go and sin no more," inviting us into a new life empowered by His Spirit. The grace of Christ is both a gift and a call—to receive forgiveness and to respond by turning away from sin, relying on God's help to live differently. No matter what you struggle with, you are invited to bring it to Jesus, receive His grace, and walk in the freedom and transformation He offers. [[51:33](#)]

John 8:10-11 (ESV)

"Jesus stood up and said to her, 'Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?' She said, 'No one, Lord.' And Jesus said, 'Neither do I condemn you; go, and from now on sin no more.'"

Reflection: What is one area of sin or struggle you need to bring honestly to Jesus today, trusting that He loves you enough to forgive and help you change?

Day 4: Beware of Creating a God in Our Own Image

When we selectively accept only the parts of God's character or commands that we like, we risk fashioning a false god who simply affirms our desires and never challenges us. True faith means surrendering to the God who reveals Himself in Scripture, even when His ways are not easy or comfortable. God's call to repentance, justice, and transformation is not meant to restrict us, but to lead us into true life and freedom. Let us lay down our idols—whether they are comfort, success, or a "customized" version of God—and worship the living God who is both loving and holy. [[44:39](#)]

Exodus 20:3-4 (ESV)

"You shall have no other gods before me. You shall not make for yourself a carved image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth."

Reflection: Are there ways you have tried to reshape God or His commands to fit your preferences? What would it look like to surrender those areas to Him today?

Day 5: Respond to Grace by Living Differently Than the World

God's grace is not just a comfort for our failures, but a power that enables us to live transformed lives. As forgiven people, we are called to be different from the world—to resist the pull of addictions, selfishness, and worldly pursuits, and instead to live as witnesses of Christ's love and truth. This new way of life is not something we achieve on our own, but is made possible by the Holy Spirit, the support of Christian community, and the ongoing work of God's Word in us. Let us ask God to show us where He wants to change us, and step forward in faith to live as His ambassadors in a broken world. [[57:21](#)]

Romans 12:1-2 (ESV)

"I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect."

Reflection: What is one practical step you can take today to live differently from the world and reflect Christ's love and truth in your actions?