

SERMON NOTES

A Silent But Strong Dedication (Isaiah 42:1-4)

1. **"Phaethon Complex"** – an excessive obsession with others' recognition due to the lack of recognition from one's parents.
 - a. The recognition and love from God can completely heal even the "Phaethon Complex".
2. **Isaiah 42:1-4**
"Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen one in whom I delight. I will put my Spirit on him and he will bring justice to the nation."
3. **By using three phrases, God shows special affection for this servant.**
 - a. **First**, God says, "one whom I uphold".
 - b. **Second**, God says, "one whom I chosen".
 - c. **Third**, God says, "one in whom I delight".
 - d. 'The Songs of the Servant of YHWH'
4. **Mark 1:11**
"You are my Son, Whom I love".
5. **John 5:41**
"I do not accept glory from human beings".
6. **John 6:27**
"Do not work for food that spoils, but for food that endures to eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For on him God the Father has placed his seal of approval".
7. **Luke 13:32-33**
Go tell that fox, 'I will keep on driving out demons and healing people today and tomorrow, and on the third day I will reach my goal.' In any case, I must press on today and tomorrow and the next day – for surely no prophet can die outside Jerusalem!
 - a. This was the way He lived.
 - b. **Isaiah 42:2-3**
He will not shout or cry out, or raise his voice in the streets. A bruised reed he will not break, and a smoldering wick he will not snuff out. In faithfulness he will bring forth justice.
 - c. **Isaiah 42:4**
He will not falter or be discouraged till he establishes justice on earth. In his teaching the islands will put their hope.
8. **Romans 8:31-34**
What, then, shall we say in response to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all—how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things? Who will bring any charge against those whom God has chosen? It is God who justifies. Who then is the one who condemns?
9. **Romans 8:35, 38-39**
Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword?... For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Welcome to

Worship

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Our Vision: To Know God, to experience the Holy Spirit and to share God's love. (Vision 2020: Serve Others!)



A CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

1st Sunday after the Epiphany/Baptism of the Lord

Worship begins with the Prelude

Prelude

Bringing in the Light of Christ

Words of Grace and Greeting

Even youths grow tired and weary, and young men stumble and fall; but those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint (Isaiah 40:30-31).

****Hymn of Praise #400** Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

**Call to Worship

We have been claimed by the God who calls us children.

We, the redeemed, have been called by name.

As with the Israelites, God promises to pass with us through the water.

We will not fear, for God is with us!

The rivers shall not overwhelm us for God is our guide and our protector.

Through God's saving grace, the waters that tested us are now the waters that wash us and nourish us.

Great is the Fount of Every Blessing,

Ever flowing, ever redeeming, ever claiming us as God's children.

Come, let us worship the God who washes us in grace.

Congregational Prayer Time

Pastoral Prayer

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Lord's Prayer (UMH 895)

Offering of Gifts and Tithes

**Doxology (UMH 95)

**Prayer of Dedication

God of glory and strength, we share this offering with you as a response to your powerful acts in our own lives. We share our financial resources with you because of the splendorous ways that you have blessed us. Your majestic spirit fills our lives like the mighty waters fill the oceans. All glory is given to you, Lord God. In your powerful name, we pray. AMEN.

Scripture Reading

Isaiah 42:1-4 (OT 670)

Hymn Of Preparation #397 I Need Thee Every Hour (Refrain)

Message

A Silent But Strong Dedication

Rev. David Kim

Holy Communion

**Hymn of Dedication

Jesus Shall Take the Highest Honor

**Dismissal with Blessing

**Stand if you are able

COMING UP

- Today - Holy Communion
- Today - Cambridge Potluck
- Today & January 19 Survey for our Sunday School, January 20 Survey Due
- Monday, January 13 Elizabeth Circle at 12 pm
- Wednesday, January 15 Worship at ALF 11 am
- Wednesday, January 15 Bible Study 5:30 pm
- Wednesday, January 15 Lois Circle
- January 14-16 Pastor David gone to Order and Fellowship
- Tuesday, January 21 Mission/Outreach at 5:30 pm