

**Bro. K:                “Behold Your King!”**

Pilate shouts to the mob as the soldiers drag Jesus to the Stone Pavement and parade Him in front of the crowd. His form is hideous: face scarred and swollen, a crown of thorns digging deep into His scalp, the robe of Herod draped around His shoulders. Already the rich fabric is sticking to the gaping wounds, creating more pain when it is to be ripped off Him.

“Crucify Him! We have no King but Caesar!” Pilate finally grants the crowd their wish. Jesus is hauled away to be beaten again, and Pilate turns his back on it all. The soldiers lead Jesus to the courtyard to be tied to the crossmember on which He would be crucified. Then, out of the gate and down the Roman cardo (Jerusalem’s main street), toward the scarred, ugly hillside called Golgotha, “the place of the skull.” Along the way, Jesus is subjected to a mocking crowd, who shout and curse at Him as He passes by. Occasionally, a good-sized stone is hurled at Him. Mostly, though, it is the words that do the damage: “Die, Jesus! You’re no king!” This from the very crowd that only a few days earlier had shouted, “Hosanna!” as He rode down the same path.

Golgotha was a horrible spectacle. It was located over the city’s burning trash pile, the valley of Gehenna- fittingly a name later given to describe hell. The sights, smells and sounds of the place combined to make it a hellish environment. It is here that the Prince of Peace would end His ministry to mankind.

The King of Kings deserved better. Imperial leaders are afforded only the best accommodations as they approach their deaths. Satin sheets, comfortable pillows, attendants waiting on their every need. Jesus? He was staked to a wooden beam like a gutted pig awaiting a spit. Why? Because that’s how He wanted it. He would suffer...so we would not. He took our place. He bore our punishment.

Next Sunday morning (March 28) we will memorialize the sacrificial death of Jesus by observing the Lord’s Supper. Please make a point to be here, please approach this moment in our church with reverence and repentance.

## **Brandon’s Blurbs:**

Spring makes me really excited about two things: 1) Fishing and 2) Falls Creek!

Falls Creek is the summer camp our 6-12 grade students attend. Last year camp was canceled because of COVID. But we’re on for this year! Our cabin is secured and we’ll be there June 27-July 3. Cost is \$200 per student *if* they pay outright. But I encourage every student to raise funds via our Falls Creek events. Our first fundraiser event is scheduled for April 18th! Last year, we fully funded 16 students at our first event!

On April 18th, we’ll be serving breakfast at 9am. All money donated goes toward camper tuitions. We’ll serve biscuits and gravy, scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, and fresh coffee. If you are planning to attend, sign up outside of Brandon’s office. Everyone is welcome to come!

If you have any questions, please contact Brandon Pearce. 870.350.0572 or [brandon.shbc@gmail.com](mailto:brandon.shbc@gmail.com).

## ***Falls Creek 2021***

Falls Creek Youth Camp 2021 is set for June 28 - July 3! Sign up today in the Youth Room!

If you have any questions, ask Brandon or a Youth Sponsor. Don’t miss out on this great opportunity!



***YOUR CHURCH NEEDS  
YOU. YOUR WORLD  
NEEDS THE CHURCH.***

## ***Welcome to SHBC*** ***About SHBC***

We are a group of Christ-followers who believe in the power of God to change lives. We want to see transformation take place in your life, and in your family’s. We see that happening in this Church through the consistent teaching and preaching of God’s Word, and through the encouragement and support of fellow believers. Our worship is simple and Spirit-led, meaning God is the focus of everything we do, because He alone is able to help; He alone is able to save; therefore, He alone is worthy of our devotion.

Our activities and teaching are centered around the Biblical directive to “make disciples.” Simply put, everything we do is for the purpose of pointing people to Jesus, so they can become more like Him. SHBC is a relatively young Church, but a Church that God has already blessed in miraculous ways. We invite you to become a part of our family, and experience the power of Christ in your life.

### ***Join The Family***

The only biblical requirements for Church membership are that you are born again and have been baptized. That means that you have publicly professed your faith in Christ and then been baptized by immersion after your salvation. If that is the case, you are eligible for membership.

There are several different ways to join SHBC, depending on your situation. Please talk with our Pastor if you have questions about becoming a member here.

## Thanks for Coming

If you are a visitor in our worship service today, we are thrilled to have you. Our prayer is that you are drawn into the presence of Christ during this time, and your encounter with Him will leave you more transformed into His image. If you are new to our community, or if you don't have a current Church home, we hope you will prayerfully consider Southern Heights Baptist Church as your regular place of worship.

If you are just visiting the Berryville area, we hope you enjoy your stay and will come back soon. In either case, we would like to have a record of your visit, and be made aware of any prayer concerns you might have.

Thank you for being here today.

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ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

I would like more information about Southern Heights: (Y) (N)

Prayer needs:

## "CONCRETE AND CRANES" VBS

Vacation Bible School will be here before you know it. Attached you will find a VBS Needs List. Please look this over to see if you have (or can provide) any of the items on this list. Bring them by the Church anytime.



*For your planning purposes, please note that the Fellowship Hall will be unavailable for use from May 23—June 18. We will be using the Hall on those dates for VBS prep, and then for VBS the week of June 7. Thank you for your grace, and your HELP, during those dates.*

## Wednesday Nights Are Back... Maybe...We Hope...We'll See

By Popular demand, we will be opening up our Wednesday night activities for all age groups. Children will have a new series of fun, Bible-based events; our Youth have already started meeting; and our Adults will return to our 6:00 p.m. Bible studies.

We want to begin as soon as possible.

### HERE'S WHAT WE NEED TO GET STARTED:

We need a helper for infants and toddlers each Wednesday night from 5:45—7:15. If several volunteer, that means each person would only have to serve one night per month.

## Southern Heights News

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### Southern Heights Baptist Church

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## WHAT'S YOUR STORY? III

### The 'What's Your Story' Challenge:

We have challenged you to prepare and practice "Your Story" over these past several weeks. Your testimony of what God has done in your life can be a very powerful tool in reaching the lost. ***Here's Your Story's Outline:***

***Part 1***– Describe what your life was like before you were introduced to Jesus and entered into relationship with Him.

***Part 2***– Describe how you came to understand your need for Christ.

***Part 3***– Describe what your life has been like since you became a Christian.

That's it. One minute for each part; three minutes total. If you can condense your story into this three minute format, it will become the perfect lead-in to your closing question, "Have you experienced this kind of relationship with Jesus?"

***NOW IT'S TIME TO PUT IT INTO PRACTICE.***

***LET'S HEAR YOUR STORY!***

Here's the challenge:

1. We would like to video your story. Practice it, hone it down to three minutes. Then (over the next 3 weeks) let us video record your testimony, to be played back in our Church worship services.
2. For those of you with Facebook or other social media, between now and Easter Sunday (April 4), post your story in its entirety on your Facebook page for all the world to see.
3. Tell your story to someone in person.