

THE SALVATION SPECTRUM

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Hosea 6:3 AMP, "So let us know *and* become personally acquainted with Him; let us press on to know *and* understand fully the [greatness of the] Lord [to honor, heed, and deeply cherish Him]. His appearing is prepared *and* is as certain as the dawn, And He will come to us [in salvation] like the [heavy] rain, Like the **SPRING** rain watering the earth."

Heavenly Father, we humbly come before You, in anticipation & earnest expectation of Your faithfulness & goodness in answering our call as we return to You. Father God, bless us with Your **SPRING** rains that bring growth for Your Heavenly Kingdom. In Jesus' Holy Name we pray 🙏



Last Month's "From the Pastor," section had an error in the scripture verse. It should have read, "**1 John 4:7-10**," NOT 1 Timothy 4:7-10. My apologies for any confusion.



Purim/Festival of Lots

Esther 1-10

By Pastor Oscar Martinez, Men Like Trees Ministries

This year, Purim/Festival of Lots will be celebrated on the evening of March 16th through the evening of March 17th. In the book of Esther, we find the story of Purim where good triumphs over evil. Purim means the Festival of Lots as in the roll of a dice. Purim is a story of deliverance from an evil plot to destroy and annihilate God's people. It takes place from the 13th – 15th of Adar. It is a story as ancient as time going back to the Garden of Eden and the serpent as it relates to God's people vs the forces of evil of old. It is a time of atonement and is celebrated as a joyous occasion. The story of Purim also relates to those who align themselves with Israel, Christians and gentiles alike, friends in unity to triumph over adversity.

Two very famous quotes have come out from this story that relate to us all in this time "Maybe you have come to the **royal kingdom FOR SUCH A TIME AS THIS**" and "**IF I PERISH, I PERISH**" (Esther 4:12-17) The enemy Haman and his magicians had rolled the dice to destroy God's people on the 13th of Adar all because Mordecai refused to bow down to Haman, King Xerxes vizier. Mordecai, Queen Esther's uncle, told her of Haman's plan, and asked her to go to the king to let him know of the evil plot against her and her people, but she was afraid because she could die if she would show up in front of the king without being summoned by him. Mordecai's response was "Don't suppose that merely because you happen to be in the royal palace you will escape any more than the other Jews. For if you fail to speak up now, relief and deliverance will come to the Jews from a different direction; but you and your family will perish. **Who knows whether you didn't come into your royal position precisely for such a time as this.**" Queen Esther's response was "Go, assemble all the Jews to be found in Shushan, and have them fast for me, neither eating nor drinking for three days, night and day; also I and the girls attending me will fast the same way. Then I will go in to the king, which is against the law; **and if I perish, I perish.**"

Haman's plan was thwarted thanks to Mordecai, Queen Esther, through fasting and prayer by God's people, and all those who had aligned themselves with them to stand and fight alongside them. Thus, Haman was killed by the same weapon he had fashioned to kill God's people. (Isaiah 54:17) and his ten sons hanged in the gallows.

Throughout the whole book of Esther God and His name are never mentioned not once. And in the book of John 5:1 there is an unnamed festival. It is possible that this unnamed festival may be alluding to Purim. And just like God's name is hidden or concealed in the book of Esther so to Purim is not mentioned. (Proverbs 25:2, Isaiah 55:9)

Just like the Jews are commanded to celebrate Purim and be glad and joyous, so to we should celebrate during this time with them for our greatest Purim is our day of deliverance through the sacrifice of our Lord Jesus/Yeshua at the stake/cross, for on that day all the world, all was light, gladness, joy and honor for us all.

Blessed be His Holy Name.





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Church Services:

Sundays @ 10:00AM
15920 Henze Road
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Hour of Prayer:

Every Tuesday @ 7:00PM
Send a private message to the
JCRS-SATX FB Page or
message Pastor Cindy 210-838-3668
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Bible Study:

Wednesdays @ 6:30PM
Live on:
JCRS-SATX FB Page

HAPPY St. Patrick's DAY

The man who became known as St. Patrick, an apostle of Ireland, was originally born in Britain. His actual birth name has not been verified by historians; however, the name St Patrick was taken later during his religious journeys or when he was ordained as a bishop in 432 A.D.

He was sent by Pope Celestine I to Ireland in the fifth century to spread the gospel to non-believers while also providing support to the small community of Christians already living there.

As a totally committed follower of Jesus Christ, he promoted Jesus as Savior for all of humanity.

The shamrock, a three-leaf clover, has been associated with Ireland for centuries. It was called the "seamroy" by the Celts and was considered a sacred plant that symbolized the arrival of spring. According to legend, St. Patrick used the plant as a visual guide when explaining the Holy Trinity. By the 17th century, the shamrock had become a symbol of emerging Irish nationalism.



St Patrick is honored annually with the celebration of St Patrick's Day on March 17 (which some cite as the date of his death), which also falls during the Christian season of Lent. For more than 1,000 years, the Irish have observed St Patrick's Day as a religious holiday.

Traditionally, on St Patrick's Day, families attend church in the morning and then celebrate in the afternoon with a traditional meal of cabbage and Irish bacon. The holiday has expanded into the secular world as well, becoming a robust international celebration of Irish culture and heritage throughout the world.

The St. Patrick's Day tradition of wearing **green** was popularized by Irish immigrants in the United States, who believed that wearing **green** made them invisible to leprechauns—the classic fairy creatures who pinch anyone they can see.

Sources:

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Sunday, 3/13 at 2am