## VISION 2027 MAGNIFY: Week 1 (We will be a rejoicing people) Matthew 25 and 2 Corinthians 5:1-9 January 8, 2023

### Vision 2027 - What is it?

The 5-year plan is to evangelize, develop, and mobilize Harps Crossing Baptist Church at Hollonville so that the Earth will be filled with the Glory of The LORD and Christ's name will be exalted through the fulfilling of our commission to be salt and light; to go and make disciples of all nations.

Building relationships that lead to Gospel transformation, rejoicing as people come to life in Christ.

This is and should be a lifestyle.

## MAGNIFY (We WILL be a rejoicing people.)

## What do we have to rejoice in?

Salvation, life, family, friends, church, God's Word, victory in tough times, just to name a few.

## Where can I start?

#### Start where you are, use what you got, do what you can.

## In the meantime?

Rejoicing as people come to life in Christ, for every person will die and spend eternity somewhere.

Be a good steward – Parable of the four soils. (Matthew 13:1-9)

Matthew 25:24-26 - too afraid to do anything, didn't know God's character. Matthew 25:1-13 - was un-wise and burnt out, did not finish well (didn't prepare).

Matthew 25:21-23 – come share in your Master's happiness.

### Where and how can I serve?

**Matthew 25:31-46** – Come share in your Master's happiness, come you are blessed by my Father, take your inheritance.

Matthew 5:13-16 - Salt and Light

Matthew 28:16-20 - The Great Commission.

"The present is the point in which time touches eternity." ~ C.S. Lewis

# Personal accountability and responsibility

*I will declare Your name to My brethren;* In the midst of the assembly I will praise You. <sup>23</sup> You who fear the LORD, praise Him! All you descendants of Jacob, glorify Him, And fear Him, all you offspring of Israel! <sup>24</sup> For He has not despised nor abhorred the affliction of the afflicted; Nor has He hidden His face from Him; But when He cried to Him, He heard. <sup>25</sup> My praise shall be of You in the great assembly; *I will pay My vows before those who fear Him.* <sup>26</sup> The poor shall eat and be satisfied; Those who seek Him will praise the LORD. Let your heart live forever! <sup>27</sup> All the ends of the world Shall remember and turn to the LORD, And all the families of the nations Shall worship before You. <sup>28</sup> For the kingdom is the LORD's, And He rules over the nations. <sup>29</sup> All the prosperous of the earth Shall eat and worship; All those who go down to the dust Shall bow before Him, Even he who cannot keep himself alive. <sup>30</sup> A posterity shall serve Him. It will be recounted of the Lord to the next generation, <sup>31</sup> They will come and declare His righteousness to a people who will be born, That He has done this. Psalm 22:22-31

# Build for the future: If you don't get to harvest, plant seeds; if you can't plant seeds, move stones.

## **Prayer Focus:**

Application: Living a "so that" life instead of a "so what" life.

King Hezekiah's attitude (2 Kings 20:16-19)

vs.

The Apostle Paul's attitude (Philippians 1:20-26)