

## *God Has a Long Nose*

God gets angry.

God gets angry about evil and injustice in our world. When corrupt rulers hurt the innocent or when God's people neglect the hurting, God gets angry.

When we read about God in the Bible, we learn that anger is a part of what makes God God. He labels Himself as, "The LORD, the LORD, a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger..." (Exodus 34:6) God gets angry; however, he is slow to anger.

In Hebrew, the words for "anger" and "nose" are the same: *AF*. We've all seen cartoons where someone in anger breathes smoke from their nose. Whenever we find the phrase "slow to anger" in the Old Testament, it literally means "long of nose." God gets angry, but he is slow to anger. It takes a long time for God's nose to get hot and blow smoke!

God's anger was not left in the Old Testament. God become man, Jesus, expressed his anger on many occasions. Mark 3:5 tells us that Jesus was angry specifically because he saw hard-hearted religious men care more about being right than loving others. When "Jesus wept" over the death of his friend Lazarus in John 11:35, Jesus was weeping out of anger. Where verse 33 in our Bibles says that he was "deeply moved," the original Greek says he "snorted like a horse." Here is the son of God putting his nose to good use! It makes Jesus angry that people suffer and die. Jesus shows us that it's good to be angry if we are angry about the right things in the right ways.

James 1:19–20 says, "Know this, my beloved brothers: let every person be quick to hear, slow to speak, slow to anger; for the anger of man does not produce the righteousness of God." (ESV) One of the easiest ways for the devil to enter our hearts is through unrighteous anger, and this kind of anger can destroy us and others (Psalm 37:8; Proverbs 14:17; 19:19; 22:24–25; 27:4; 29:11, 22). How can we be angry and not sin (Ephesians 4:26–27)? Be long nosed like God. Don't be reactive. Don't let yourself get angry easily. Don't let anger lodge in your heart (Ecclesiastes 7:9).

"God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God." (Romans 5:8–9, ESV)

Praise God that he is, "a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness." (Exodus 34:6 ESV)

*Caleb Boggs*

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# In Our Thoughts & Prayers




Kay Anderson, Travis Bell, Carol Bessman, Fred Bukowich, Kim Cable, Becky Cobb, Vera Cornell, Lee Crabtree, Tammy Crawford, Joe and Teresa Freund, Pete Griffin, Coral Haggard, Gael Jackson, Molly Jackson, Beth Johnson, Millie Lyons, Pam McMahan, Sherry Merrill, Lyn Pendergraft, Charlie Phillips, Mebyl Privett, Tina Rasbury, Murray Riley, Lawrence Sanders, Rylee Schroeder, Harold Speir, Edith Toney.

- Debi Wince's nephew, Brandon Ross, has brain cancer and is not doing well at the time. He is only 35 years old. Please add him to your prayer list.
- Vera Cornell's granddaughter, Stephanie Talley, has just been diagnosed with cancer and would like your prayers.
- Coral Haggard is home after her surgery and is doing well.



**Every "One" Counts:** When you give an extra dollar each Sunday, it goes to help someone in need. If you know someone who needs help, contact Jennifer Daniels or Natalie McInturff.

**Devo and Donuts** is for students of all ages. Join us in the activities center at 7:00 Tuesday mornings. Bring a friend. 

When you can't be here when we **worship**, visit our website, Facebook page or YouTube channel to join us live or to catch up on what you missed.

Please put your gifts on the table for **baby boy Anderson** by tonight.

## Today's Sermons



A.M. *Rejoice in the Lord Always*  
(Phil. 4:4, Danny Boggs)

PM: *Pray More: Come, Lord Jesus*  
(Rev. 22:20, Danny Boggs)

Please sign the **birthday cards** on the welcome desk for some children at Fair Haven.

Lads to Leaders will have a **Bible Bowl** practice tonight after services. Study Joshua 16-20.



**Men's Breakfast** is Thursday at 7:00 at Braum's. Join your brothers for food and fellowship.

**Affirming the Faith** will be this Friday and Saturday in Oklahoma City. If you are interested in going, please see Casey Flint today so he can book the hotel rooms.

**TriState Youth Series** will be next Sunday in Chouteau.

Rebekah Colley will be our speaker on March 11-12 for our **Ladies' Seminar**. There are flyers and postcards on the welcome desk. Her topic is *Finding Him* and she will provide a meaningful message. It is also an excellent opportunity to fellowship with your sisters in Christ. There will be books on sale from Publishing Designs and Rebekah's **books** will be available as well. There are still some opportunities to help with events, both Friday and Saturday. See Karen if you are interested.

There will be lunch on Saturday for the Ladies' Seminar. Sign up sheets for **food** are on the bulletin board in the back.

A **welcome bag** will be prepared for our Ladies' Seminar speaker, Rebekah Colley. If you can help with this, please give cash donations to Brenda Kimbrough.

The new quarter of adult Bible classes begin next Sunday. We want everyone to be involved in a Bible class. Here are the choices:

### Sunday Morning - 9:00 am

Auditorium- *Life of Christ, the Gospels* - Bill Reiboldt and Pat Andrews

Young Adults, Room 25, - *What To Do With a Biblical World View* - Caleb Boggs and Jason Giebler

Fellowship Room - *Work Life and Your Life's Work* - Danny Boggs

Room 29 - *1 Corinthians* - John Deffenbaugh and Glen Honeycutt

### Wednesday Night - 7:00 pm

Auditorium - *Ephesians* - Josh King and John Deffenbaugh

Room 7 - *Truth in a Big Fish Story* - Danny Boggs

Activities Center - Women's Class - *The Hour has Come* - Becky Cobb and Carla Murray

## WORSHIP LEADERS

### Today

### This Wednesday

AM Opening Prayer: Todd Murray  
AM Closing Prayer: Todd Tyler  
Communion Prayers: Aaron Wilson  
PM Opening Prayer: Miles Wolgamott  
PM Closing Prayer: Fred Bukowich

Announcements: Sam Collinworth  
Singing: Carl Cobb  
Invitation: Jason Giebler  
Opening Prayer: Charles Phillips  
Closing Prayer: Stuart Anderson

## RECORDS

### 2-20-22

### 2-21-21

Bible Study	140	121
AM Worship	197	177
PM Worship	114	110
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Contribution	\$9,300.03	\$13,264.62
Budget	\$8,250.00	\$8,000.00