

# Prayer?

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# Sermon.

**Speaker:** Buster Brown, *Senior Pastor*

**Message:** As Obedient Children, Be Holy  
(See Clearly and Live with Purpose)

**Text:** 1 Peter 1:14-21

*"As obedient children, do not be conformed to the passions of your former ignorance, but as he who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct, since it is written, 'You shall be holy, for I am holy.' And if you call on him as Father who judges impartially according to each one's deeds, conduct yourselves with fear throughout the time of your exile, knowing that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your forefathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot. He was foreknown before the foundation of the world but was made manifest in the last times for the sake of you who through him are believers in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God." 1 Peter 1:14-21*

**In response to the mercies of the triune God we are to:**

- Constantly prepare our minds for action
- Be filled with a serious-minded, eternal perspective and
- Embrace the call to HOLINESS

*"What does it mean that God is holy? The Hebrew word means literally to be completely 'set apart.' When applied to God, the word means there is none like him, that he is infinitely above us and all things in power, perfection, and righteousness. When people are holy (Leviticus 11:44; 1 Peter 1:16), it means they belong wholly to God. They serve not with divided loyalties but with their whole heart. For the Christian church to be holy means it should be radically different. The early Christians stuck out in the Greco-Roman pagan society because of their integrity and honesty, their sympathy and forgiveness, their sexual chastity, and their astonishing financial generosity. They were holy. Are we?"*

**Tim Keller, The Songs of Jesus**

**In a Life of Holiness**

1. Rejoice in: The calling and privilege: obedient children (v.14).

*"The people of God thereby recognize not only Christ as their Redeemer and Saviour, high priest and advocate at God's right hand, not only the Holy Spirit as their sanctifier and advocate, not only the Father as the one who has called them into the fellowship of his Son but also as the one who has instated them in his family, and they enter into the holiest in the assurance that he, the God and Father of the Lord Jesus Christ, will own them and bless them as his own children. No approach to God partakes of comparable intimacy, confidence, and love with that of the simple, yet unspeakably eloquent, 'Abba, Father'. And they accept all the dispensations of his providence as those of the all-wise, all-holy, and all-loving Father in heaven. It is not without significance that the acme of privilege and the highest outreach of confidence toward God..."*

**John Murray, Collected Writings, Volume 2, p. 230**

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2. Appeal: The wonder of the atoning cross (v.18-21).

*"But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy." 1 Peter 2:9-10*

*"Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, whom you have from God? You are not your own, for you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body." 1 Corinthians 6:19-20*

3. Remember: Former ignorance and futile ways (v.14,18).
4. Comforted by the gentle mercies of ABBA FATHER in his corrections (v. 17).

*"Besides this, we have had earthly fathers who disciplined us and we respected them. Shall we not much more be subject to the Father of spirits and live? For they disciplined us for a short time as it seemed best to them, but he disciplines us for our good, that we may share his holiness. For the moment all discipline seems painful rather than pleasant, but later it yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness to those who have been trained by it." Hebrews 12:9-11*

**DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:**

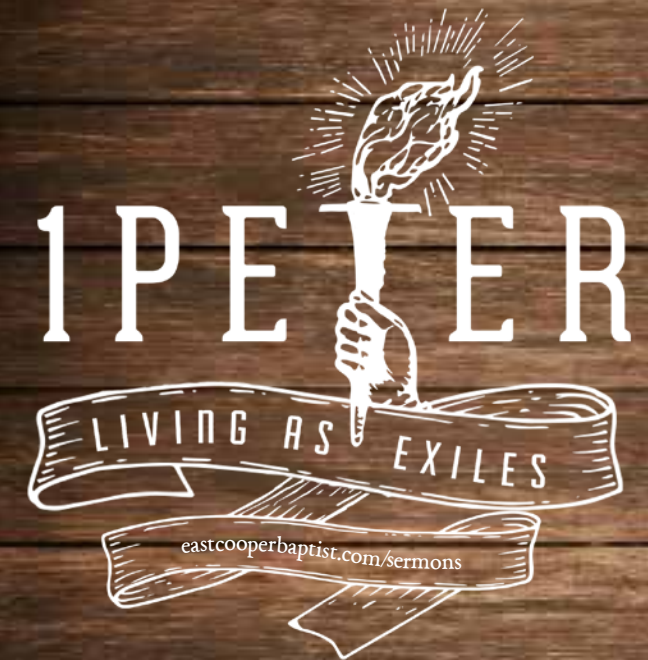
1. When do Christians look like a Dinka (6'3") walking down the streets of Indonesia/Bolivia (5'3")?
2. Why is our adoption into the family of God the "apex of the Christian experience"?
3. What "futile ways" were part of your family/culture experience before your conversion?
4. What is the heart of our Heavenly Father when he disciplines us?



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# Welcome.

We're glad you are here to worship with us. If you are new to East Cooper Baptist, we would love to meet you. Please stop by the Welcome Center following the worship services to say hello and let us answer any questions you may have. Thanks for being our guest.

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**Traditional Worship / Sunday Equip•u Classes**  
Sanctuary 9:00a & 10:45a  
**Contemporary Worship / Sunday Equip•u Classes**  
Worship Center 9:00a & 10:45a



## Next Steps.

### Attend a Guest Luncheon

Get to know us better at our next Guest Luncheon and see what God has in store for you. You'll meet our pastor and some of our staff and enjoy fellowship with a great meal. Our next free luncheon is **October 6 at 12:15p** in the Gym. For more information, please contact Carol at [carolw@eastcooperbaptist.com](mailto:carolw@eastcooperbaptist.com).

### Find an equip•u Class

Our equip•u classes are groups that meet before or after the worship services to study the Bible in depth. Visit the Welcome Center to pick up an equip•u guide or go online to choose from a variety of classes. Register for track classes at [eastcooperbaptist.com/classes](http://eastcooperbaptist.com/classes).

### Join a Community Group

An authentic biblical community provides a place where we can grow, learn, and serve as we seek to know Jesus. We have a variety of over 30 open groups from students to adults. Please go online today to locate a group near you. [eastcooperbaptist.com/groups](http://eastcooperbaptist.com/groups)

### Become a Member

Register online for our upcoming New Members Class on Saturday, **October 19**. This class is a basic introduction to our church family and is a requirement for joining the church. We designed this class to clearly explain what we believe at East Cooper Baptist.

### Serve in equip•them

Equip•them is the serving arm for Sunday morning ministries. We have nearly 600 opportunities to serve. Some needs require 15 minutes before the service, others may require the whole equipping hour. [eastcooperbaptist.com/serve](http://eastcooperbaptist.com/serve)

## Childcare.



We have a safe and loving environment for your children where they can learn about God. Please take advantage of our nursery for children up to age three during the worship services. Our ushers are ready to assist you.



## This Week.

For detailed information please go online.

SUN

SEP 15

Equip•u Classes  
9:00a & 10:45a  
GriefShare  
10:45-12:15p B227  
HSM D-Groups  
6:00-8:00p Host Homes

MON

SEP 16

PrimeTime Lunch & Program  
12:00-2:00p D-Wing Choir Room  
Reengage Marriage Program  
6:30-8:30p D203 Choir Room

TUE

SEP 17

Women's Bible Study  
9:30-11:30a Worship Center  
Worship Band Rehearsal  
6:30-8:30p Worship Center

WED

SEP 18

Children's Choir (WAM)  
6:30-8:00p A-Wing Classrooms  
Choir & Orchestra Rehearsal  
6:30-8:00p D203 Choir Room  
MSM T4:12  
6:00-8:00p Gym  
Women's Bible Study  
6:30-8:00p B217/218/219  
DivorceCare  
6:30-8:00p B221

THU

SEP 19

Women's Morning Devotional  
6:30-7:30a Welcome Center  
Women's Bible Study  
9:30-11:30a D-Wing Choir Room  
Young Adults Connect  
7:00-9:00p Worship Center

FRI

SEP 20

Man2Man  
6:20-7:30a Gym



The Bahama Baptist Convention has designated Baptist Global Response as the lead response organization in this disaster and will work under the direction and guidance of the Bahamian Baptist Convention. To give to this cause, please visit [eastcooperbaptist.com/relief](http://eastcooperbaptist.com/relief).



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## Upcoming.

For detailed event information please go online.

**TODAY** The 66 books in the Bible include many different literary genres and understanding their literary features will greatly enhance your ability to study the Bible on your own, as a family, and as you teach others. Available at 10:45a in room B225. **COME ANY SUNDAY**



**TODAY** With an emphasis on apologetics, this class will study foundational doctrines and the breadth of the Biblical narrative. This class is available at 9:00a. **COME ANY SUNDAY**



**TODAY** With an emphasis on passing doctrine to the next generation, this class will study foundational doctrines and the breadth of the Biblical narrative. This class is available at 10:45a. **COME ANY SUNDAY**



**TODAY** Equip•them is the serving arm for Sunday morning ministries. We have many opportunities to serve. The Children's Ministry is a vital ministry and one that is in need of volunteers. **MORE INFO ONLINE**



**MONDAYS** Re|engage is a marriage enrichment program. Marriages in any condition can benefit. This program meets every Monday night from 6:30-8:30p. Childcare is provided for infant to 5th grade. **MORE INFO ONLINE**



**WEDNESDAYS** DivorceCare is a caring group of people who will walk alongside you through one of life's most difficult experiences. Don't go through divorce alone. We meet weekly on Wednesdays from 6:30-8:00p in room B221. **REGISTER ONLINE**



**THURSDAYS** Join us on Thursday mornings to learn from other women and hear their experiences of God's faithfulness in their specific callings. Pastries and coffee are provided. No childcare. Meets in the Welcome Center. **REGISTER ONLINE**



**SEPT 19** The Young Adults will begin meeting once a month on Thursdays in the Worship Center for a time of worship and fellowship from 7:00-9:00p beginning September 19. **PLAN TO ATTEND**



**NEW TO ECBC?**  
After the service, stop by the Welcome Center

Please complete the perforated section and place in the offering plate or bring by the Welcome Center.

09.15.19

## Hello.

If you're here for the first time, please come by our Welcome Center and say hello. We'd love to answer any questions and say thanks for being our special guest today.

I/We attended worship at:

9:00a  10:45a

I am a first time guest

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Preferred method of contact:

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- Become a Christian
- Join the Church
- Request a personal visit
- Subscribe to newsletter
- Join a Community Group
- Other