

This Week's Follow-through (Mon–Fri)

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Sermon Title	America's Christian Heritage
Speaker	Pastor Gary Hamrick
Primary Passage	PSALM 33

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1

Prayer and Rededication Before God

Pastor Reminder: The sermon begins with a call to humble prayer, because a people cannot keep God's gifts apart from God himself. When hearts grow thankful and repentant, the Lord renews what has grown dull in us. We ask him not only to preserve freedom, but to make us faithful under his gracious rule. Hope begins when we return to the Lord in sincerity.

Scripture: 2 Chronicles 7:14, "If my people will humble themselves and pray... I will hear from heaven."

☁️ Where have I taken God's gifts for granted and failed to pray with a humble heart?

🙏 Lord, teach me to return to You with honesty and gratitude. Renew my heart so that my confidence rests in Your mercy and not in myself.

✅ Try this today: Set aside five quiet minutes to pray for repentance and gratitude.

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2

Freedom Kept Under God's Rule

Pastor Reminder: America's freedom can endure only when a people remember that liberty is a gift, not an achievement. True freedom is not the freedom to live without God, but the grace to live under his wise care. When a nation forgets the Lord, its strength grows thin; when it honors him, there is mercy and stability for the days ahead. Our hope is not in human pride, but in the Lord's steadfast providence.

Scripture: Psalm 33:12-22, "Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord."

☁️ Am I trusting more in human strength than in God's faithful care?

🙏 Lord, keep my heart from pride and self-reliance. Teach me to depend on Your providence and to cherish the liberty You give.

✅ Try this today: Pray for America's leaders by name and ask God to guide them in wisdom.

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3

Scripture Remembered, Faith Preserved

Pastor Reminder: The sermon calls us to remember that God's Word must shape a people if freedom is to remain healthy and holy. Scripture does not merely inform us; it reforms us. The witness of faithful leaders and founders mattered only because they knew that a nation needs truth above preference. When the Bible is honored, hearts are steadied, and hope is made clear.

Scripture: Psalm 33:12-22, "The eyes of the Lord are on those who fear him."

☁️ Do I let Scripture govern my thinking, or do I simply borrow its language without obeying it?

🙏 Lord, write Your truth more deeply on my heart. Help me value Your Word above the changing voices around me.

✔ Try this today: Read a short passage of Scripture before checking the news.

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4

Not Conformed, But Transformed in Christ

Pastor Reminder: The church must not mirror the world, because Jesus has set us free for a different life. Spiritual liberty means we no longer belong to the pressures around us, but to Christ who renews us from within. That freedom makes the church distinct: humble, holy, and full of courage. When we are transformed by Jesus, we become a living sign of grace in the midst of confusion.

Scripture: 2 Corinthians 3:17, "Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom."

☁ Where am I most tempted to blend in rather than live as one changed by Christ?

🙏 Lord Jesus, free me from the pull of conformity and make me new by Your Spirit. Let my life reflect the beauty of Your transforming grace.

✔ Try this today: Say no to one habit that dulls your witness and choose a Christlike alternative.

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Salt and Light for Nation and World

Pastor Reminder: The sermon ends by sending believers outward, because Christ's freedom is never meant to stay hidden. The church is called to shine with quiet courage, truth, and mercy so that others may see the goodness of God. In workplaces, homes, and public life, the believer is to be a faithful witness who points beyond self to Jesus. The Lord who frees us also sends us, and his light is enough for every place we serve.

Scripture: Matthew 5:14-16, "You are the light of the world."

☁ Where has the Lord placed me to shine with the grace and courage of Christ?

 Lord, make me a faithful witness in the places You have given me. Give me courage to speak of Christ and humility to serve with love.

 Try this today: Share one clear word of faith with someone at work, home, or church.

May the Lord keep you steady in his grace and make you a witness of Christ.