



**Sunday, December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

**Series:** "Revival"

**TWCC Sermon Connection Outline:** "From Sesame Street to Azusa Street"  
(A Call to a Higher Commitment to Be the Church)

**Read Ephesians 1:15 - 23 (KJV)**

- **Verse 20 - 23 (Message)** - "20-23 All this energy issues from Christ: God raised him from death and set him on a throne in deep heaven, in charge of running the universe, everything from galaxies to governments, no name and no power exempt from his rule. And not just for the time being, but *forever*. He is in charge of it all, has the final word on everything. At the center of all this, **Christ rules the church**. The church, you see, is not peripheral to the world; the world is peripheral to the church. The church is Christ's body, in which he speaks and acts, by which he fills everything with his presence."
- Today, I would like us hear the \_\_\_\_\_ of the Lord to come "From Sesame Street back to Azusa Street" as we consecrate ourselves today to \_\_\_\_\_ the Church our Lord has \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ us to \_\_\_\_\_.
- Our Father God doesn't just want us to \_\_\_\_\_ to Church, (and yes, we should be desirous, diligent and dedicated to attend Church - **Hebrews 10:25 (AMPC)** - "Not forsaking or neglecting to assemble together [as believers], as is the habit of some people, but admonishing (warning, urging, and encouraging) one another, and all the more faithfully as you see the day approaching.") but more importantly \_\_\_\_\_ the Church as we close this Year and transition into a new Year 2021.
- It is time for us to \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ Church and a \_\_\_\_\_ Christian Believer and Christ-follower and not a \_\_\_\_\_ Church and a \_\_\_\_\_ Christian Believer.
- This is our \_\_\_\_\_ and our \_\_\_\_\_ to display Christ's \_\_\_\_\_ through us as a \_\_\_\_\_ Church on Azusa Street.

**SESAME STREET (TROUBLED CHURCH) AZUSA STREET (TRIUMPHANT CHURCH)**

**2 Corinthians 10:4 - 5 (AMP)** - "4 The weapons of our warfare are not physical [weapons of flesh and blood]. Our weapons are divinely powerful for the destruction of fortresses. 5 We are **destroying sophisticated arguments** and **every exalted and proud thing** that sets itself up against the [true] knowledge of God, and we are taking every thought and purpose captive to the obedience of Christ."

- When we are camping out on Sesame Street, we are fooled by society and modern culture that says we are too \_\_\_\_\_ for Pentecost. But on Azusa Street we think and believe that we have to \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ those "sophisticated arguments" and "exalted and proud thoughts".

- On Sesame Street, the silliness of our human designs and our human efforts \_\_\_\_\_ us and our litany of Sermon Notes \_\_\_\_\_ us. But on Azusa Street the \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ propels us into new \_\_\_\_\_ in and for the Kingdom of God. **Read Acts 1:8 (AMPC)**
  - On Azusa Street we discover the only way we can be an effective \_\_\_\_\_ is by the Holy Spirit!
  - **Read 1 Corinthians 2:4 - 5 (AMPC)**
  - On Sesame Street we try to \_\_\_\_\_ people to come and be the Church only by: Language, Lyrics Lingo and Logos. However, on Azusa Street we come and compel others to motivated: **(1)** to \_\_\_\_\_, **(2)** to \_\_\_\_\_ and **(3)** to \_\_\_\_\_ in the way of \_\_\_\_\_ in Christ Jesus our Lord.
  - On Sesame Street we only know how to \_\_\_\_\_ and never learn how to \_\_\_\_\_. On Azusa Street the Holy Spirit empowers and enables us \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
  - **Read Romans 8:26 - 28 (AMPC)**
  - On Sesame Street we are \_\_\_\_\_; On Azusa Street we are \_\_\_\_\_!
  - On Sesame Street we operate, and function based upon \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_; On Azusa Street we learn to \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ the Holy Spirit! In other words, on Sesame Street we lavish and live in \_\_\_\_\_, but on Azusa Street with live in \_\_\_\_\_!
  - **Read Romans 8:5 - 8 (NLT)**
  - On Sesame Street we \_\_\_\_\_ of our own ideas; On Azusa Street we \_\_\_\_\_ the Lord's ideas:
  - **Jeremiah 29:11 (AMPC)** - "For I know the thoughts *and* plans that I have for you, says the Lord, thoughts *and* plans for welfare *and* peace and not for evil, to give you hope in your final outcome."
  - On Sesame Street, we \_\_\_\_\_ up our own plans; On Azusa Street we \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ His Plan!
  - **Read Proverbs 3:5 - 6 (AMPC)**
  - On Sesame Street you are **influenced** and **intoxicated** with: **(1)** Wine **(2)** Worry and **(3)** Wickedness. However, on Azusa Street you are filled with: **(1)** Wisdom, **(2)** Worship and the **(3)** Will of the Holy Spirit.
- Read Ephesians 5:18 - 20 (AMPC)**

#### ON AZUSA STREET WE ARE A SUPERNATURAL TRIUMPHANT CHURCH

**Read Matthew 16:18 (KJV) and (AMPC). Matthew 16:18 (TPT)** - "I give you the name Peter, a stone. And this truth of who I am will be the bedrock foundation on which **I will build my church—my legislative assembly**, and the power of death will not be able to overpower it!"

- Friends, on Sesame Street we are a \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ Church. On Azusa Street we are a \_\_\_\_\_ Church.
- **What does Church look like on Azusa Street?** **(1<sup>st</sup>)** An Oasis of \_\_\_\_\_. (**John 13:34 - 35**); **(2<sup>nd</sup>)** A Christ-Centered \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ Church (**Ephesians 5:23; 2 Corinthians 3:17**); **(3<sup>rd</sup>)** A Believer's Biblical \_\_\_\_\_ Training Center (**Read Matthew 28:18 - 20**). This is Great Commission, not the great suggestion or the great omission. If we choose to stay on Sesame Street we get STUCK, STAGNANT or STRUGGLE with: (1) the LIE, (2) the SIN or the (3) WOUND that keeps and prevents us from \_\_\_\_\_ and fully \_\_\_\_\_ in Jesus! **What LIE, SIN or WOUND is preventing us from ENJOYING and fully ENGAGING in Jesus?** (**Engagement** = Committed Attendance; Consistently Generous Giving (Time, Talent, Tithes, Offerings, Testimony); Courageously Serving; Compassionately and Compellingly Inviting and Bringing People to Church). **(4<sup>th</sup>)** An \_\_\_\_\_ Outreach Center - emphasis on people being saved, born-again, baptized, filled with the Holy Spirit, healed, reconciled, revived, and restored.
- The \_\_\_\_\_ is telling us how to get to Sesame Street, but the \_\_\_\_\_ of the Lord is telling us today to go to Azusa Street!