DIGGING DEEPER

HAVE IT YOUR WAY

MARK PITCHER, LEAD PASTOR
Welcome to Port Naz, we’re glad you’re here!

Sunday, March 8
Worship Services & Children's Church, K-6th, 8:30am & 11:00am
Small Group Discipleship Ministries for all ages, 9:45am
Childcare • Nursery-Preschool, 8:15am-12:00pm

Wednesday, March 11
Small Group Discipleship Ministries for all ages
Adults, Adult Choir, King's Kids (K-6th), 6:30pm • Youth (7th-12th), 7:00pm
Childcare • Nursery-Preschool for parents who are on campus, 6:15pm-8:00pm

Porterville Church of the Nazarene
Monday-Friday, 8:30am-5:00pm • 559.784.3305 • welcome@portnaz.org

Port Naz Christian Academy
2005 W. Olive Avenue • Church and Preschool
Monday-Friday, 7:30am-5:30pm • 559.784.KIDS(5437) • pnca@portnaz.org
Karen Pitcher, Director
Question: "Can I just live my life my way and leave God out of it? Can't I just play by my own rules and do what I want?" Paul's answer is, "No, it's not possible to exclude God from your life - not without consequence." Today's text explains why. There are four things I want you to see.

1. **The reason for God's wrath**, Romans 1:18; Genesis 1:26-28; Psalm 8:5-8; Romans 1:21-23.
   Godlessness- A complete disregard of God's rights, bringing about a destruction of our vertical relationship with God.
   Wickedness- A complete disregard of human rights to love, truth, and justice, bringing about a destruction of our horizontal relationship with those around us.

2. **No one has an excuse before God**, vs. 18b-20.

3. **If you want to be left alone, God will leave you alone**, vs. 21-27.
   "...gave them over" can also be translated "abandoned." Paul is describing people who were so set on abandoning God that He ultimately abandoned them and let them go their own way. **Have it your way.**

4. **Life without God is a downward spiral**, vs. 28-32.
   When it comes to how you live your life, you can leave God out of it if you want, but there are consequences. Or you can make it a point to keep God in it, front and center, and you will experience all that He has for you. **It's your choice.**
**TODAY**

**Blended Families** • 9:45am, Youth Cafe

**Upward Closing Ceremony** • 9:45am, Worship Center

**Envelope Fundraiser** • Only 18 remain > Lobby
Support our Kids Camps & Youth Ministries

**NEW TO PORT NAZ?**

We want to meet and welcome you. Please fill in this Connection Card and bring it to the Welcome Center to receive our gift to you.

**TELL US ABOUT YOU**

☐ 1st time Guest  ☐ 18-24
☐ Return Guest  ☐ 25-34
☐ Regular Attender  ☐ 35-44
☐ Member  ☐ 45-54
☐ 8:30am Worship  ☐ 55-70
☐ 9:45am Small Group Discipleship
☐ 11:00am Worship  ☐ 71+

**LET US KNOW**

If you are new or want to update contact info, RSVP, indicate interest or sign up:

**Prayers & Condolences** to the Hargis Family and friends with the passing of beloved, 'Jack' Jackson

**Faith Promise Missions** • Received to-date, 47 pledges of $55,880

**Giving by Text** • Text dollar amount > 559.427.5861
Enter 'Assist' > Designate recipient

**District Prime Time Retreat** • March 16-18, Three Rivers

**AVL Exploration Workshop** • Saturday, March 21, 9:00am
For those 16yrs. and up who are interested in exploring areas to serve through audio, visual and lights
RSVP > John Sherrill, jsherrill@portnaz.org, Connection Card or office

**Baptism Class [Adults/Kids]** • Sun., March 22, 9:45am, Wed., 25th, 6:30pm
Attend one class in preparation for Palm Sunday Baptisms, April 5
RSVP for Baptism > Connection Card

**Central Cal Blood Drive** • Sunday, March 29, 9:00am-1:00pm
RSVP > Connection Card or Sign up > Welcome Center

**District Gathering, Celebrating the Goodness of God** • March 29, 6:00pm

**SHINE, A Women’s Event** • Friday PM & Saturday AM, April 3 & 4
Angie Smith, author of Seamless Bible Study & I Will Carry You $40, Adults, $20, Youth portnaz.org/shine2020
Today > Welcome Center; Monday - Friday > Church office

**LIFE AT PORT NAZ**

**Man Alive Men’s Conference** • Saturday, 8:00am-1:00pm
Rev. Chuck Stecker, Ph.D./Veteran/Served on Joint Staff in Pentagon
$25/10, $30/in-house, $35/door; Teens, $5 • manaliveevents.org

**I’M INTERESTED IN...**

☐ I’m new to Christ, what’s next?
☐ A place to serve
☐ Baptism  ☐ Membership
☐ Small Group Discipleship Ministries
☐ Who We Are: Purpose, Beliefs, Lifestyle
I NEED HELP WITH

Please contact me regarding:

- Addiction
- Marriage
- Children
- Parenting
- Family
- Youth
- Finance Management
- Grief
- Other

I WOULD LIKE TO RECEIVE

- eNews
- Tithe/Giving Envelopes
- Email/mailing address on other side of this Connection Card

PRAYERS • COMMENTS

ONLINE CONNECTION CARD

http://portnaz.org/connection/

DISCIPLESHIP MINISTRIES FOR ALL AGES

ADULTS

Prayer • Tuesday, 6:00am • Lobby

Life Groups & Bible Studies
Wednesday, 6:30pm • 300 & 301

Precious Lambs
Special Needs & Care Providers
Thursday, 6:30pm • Room 111
Text @4Lambs to 81010

Recovery Groups • Room 309
NA Men & Women • M-T-W-Th, 6:00am
AA Women • Tuesday, 7:00pm
GA Men & Women • Thursday, 6:00pm

Feed the Homeless • 4th Saturdays
Meal Prep • 8:00am, Kitchen

Shelby Thompson, Coordinator

Men • Text @pnmen to 81010

Mentoring & Bible Study
Wednesday, 6:15am • RJ’s Cafe
Pastor Mark Pitcher

A study in the Book of Acts
Tuesday, 6:45pm • Room 301

Seniors

Healthy Hearts Exercise
M - W - F, 9:00am • Gym

Living Proof Bible & Fellowship
Wednesday, 6:00pm • Room 303

Ambassadors Men’s Fellowship
Wednesday, 10:00am • Room 305

Seniors • Continued

Prime Time Ladies Fellowship
Thursday, March 26, 9:45am

Women • Text @pnwomen to 81010

Bible, Prayer & Fellowship
Monday, 6:30pm • Room 305
Tuesday, 9:45am • Room 305
Thursday, 6:00pm • Room 305

CHILDREN • K-6th

Bible, Games, Music, Snack Bar
Wednesday, 6:30pm • Room 112
Text @portnazki to 81010

Nursery • Preschool

Parents • Connect your ‘tots’
Text @kidscorner to 81010

MOPS • #thisismotherhood
Mothers of Preschoolers
1st Wednesdays, monthly, 10:30am
Text @pnmops to 81010

YOUTH • Jr. & Sr. High

Bible & Fellowship
Wednesday, 6:30pm • Room 401
Text @portnazyo to 81010

High School Guys Bible Study
Text @pnazboyz to 81010

COMMUNITY & FAMILY LIFE

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Pure Desire Ministries

Jason & Melinda Moyes
puredesire@portnaz.org

Attendance last Sunday • 700