

## **JON'S SERMON OUTLINE....**

### **"LOCKDOWN" LESSONS**

<sup>13</sup> "When I shut up heaven and there is no rain, or command the locusts to devour the land, or send a plague among My people, <sup>14</sup> if My people who are called by My name will humble themselves, and pray and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and heal their land."

2 Chronicles 7:13-14

Introduction: You can't escape the subject. It is an ever-present dark cloud over our culture. Every day brings more bad news. In addition to the spread of the virus and the crippling of our economy, life in "lockdown" has put us in a "time out" as we wait for things to get better. What will we do with all this free time? Are there lessons to be learned? Is God telling us something? Two biblical examples of "lockdown" (Noah's ark and Paul's imprisonment) come to mind and we're going to be using the letters in the word L-O-C-K to see what we can learn.

1. L \_\_\_\_\_ TO GOD:
  - a. God communicates quite well in the trials of life (James 1:2-5).
  - b. The busyness of life keeps us from focusing on God (Genesis 6:5).
2. O \_\_\_\_\_ GOD'S WORD:
  - a. Restrictions on mobility need not hinder ministry (Philip. 1:12-14).
  - b. Think of any area of obedience you need to work on.
3. C \_\_\_\_\_ ON THE LORD:
  - a. God is waiting to hear from you and heal you (2 Chron. 7:14).
  - b. Prayer brings the greatest cure...peace (Philip. 4:6-7).
4. K \_\_\_\_\_ GOD HAS A PURPOSE:
  - a. Chaos does not negate God's control (Job 2:9-10).
  - b. God's plans for His people are good (Jeremiah 29:11).

CONCLUSION: Is God your shelter in place?

Answers:    1. Listen    2. Obey    3. Call    4. Know