

# Williamsburg Community Chapel Men's Breakfast



**February 8, 2019**

**1 Thessalonians** is *our call to wait well for Christ's return.*

**What are you waiting for?**


**How are you waiting for it?**

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## Higher calling: Jay Huff's faith has been tested — and validated — at Virginia

BY JOSH NEEDELMAN 13 hrs ago 6 min to read



Virginia's forward Jay Huff dunks the ball against Virginia Tech earlier this season. [Buy Now](#)

The image shows a screenshot of a mobile news article. At the top, it displays the time (10:22 PM), date (Thu Feb 7), and battery level (90%). The article is from 'dailyprogress.com' and is part of the 'cavalier INSIDER' series. The headline reads 'Higher calling: Jay Huff's faith has been tested — and validated — at Virginia'. Below the headline, it says 'BY JOSH NEEDELMAN 13 hrs ago 6 min to read'. The main image is a photograph of Jay Huff, a basketball player for Virginia, in a white jersey with orange and blue accents, performing a dunk. He is holding the basketball high above his head with his right hand. The background shows a basketball court with a crowd of spectators and a blue banner for 'CapTech'.

Away from the crowds,  
cameras and fans  
clamoring for him to  
receive more playing  
time, he remembers his  
purpose.

“He wants to honor God”





**Thessalonica**

**Paul's Second Missionary Journey (A.D. 49-51)**



# The Book of 1 Thessalonians



***#2 – Waiting Well: Past, Present, Future***  
**1 Thessalonians 1:2-10**

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**1) ... *PAST*: Faith in Christ**

and my speech and my message were not in plausible words of wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power, so that your faith might not rest in the wisdom of men but in the power of God.

**- 1 Corinthians 2:4-5**

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“Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into heaven? This Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.”

**- *Acts 1:11***

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3) ... **FUTURE: Hope in Christ**

*“Christ is at present exalted with God; it is from the presence of God that he will be revealed in glory. To wait for him has ethical implications; those who wait are bound to live holy lives so as to be ready to meet him.”*

**- F.F. Bruce**



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*“Will we endure this trial ... and still possess a faith that is alive and well? Will we pass through this vast disappointment and still cling to the belief that God is good, that God is wise, that God is loving?”*

*Will we trust God? Or will our faith in a good, wise, and loving God evaporate as our patience grows thin and our spirits tire?”*

**- Jeff Manion, *The Land Between***

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Waiting well ultimately *begins and ends* with **Jesus Christ.**

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*“The triad of faith, hope and love is the quintessence of the God-given life in Christ.”*

**- Gunther Bornkamm**

*“What a wonderful trinity of Christian graces! It should be the biography of every believer. It was the biography of the church in Thessalonica, and I hope it is the biography of your church, too.”*

**- J. Vernon McGee**



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## Questions:

- 1) Do you have **faith** in Christ?
- 2) Do you **love** Christ by modeling Him to others through your life?
- 3) Do you **hope** in the return of Christ (or someone/something else)?

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**Next Week:** 1 Thessalonians 2:1-16

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Have a great week of waiting well.

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