

ORDINARY TIME
EXTRA-ORDINARY DAYS

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- i. Paul the circuit rider with saddlebags.
- ii. Paul and shared leadership.
- iii. Paul is preaching and praying with people or “on behalf of” people not “at” people.
- iv. Paul is encouraging from a distance.

3 REASONS OUR PREACHING AND PRAYING IS BRAVE...

I. GOD IS HERE

- a. Through the power of the Holy Spirit—vs 4-5
- b. From the geopolitical slogan “peace and security” to the faith lifeline “grace to you and peace”—vs 1.
- c. This is important because faith, hope and love go deep like a creek in the soft gentle waters of grace and gratitude.
- d. The danger of faith, hope and love without grace and gratitude is grave.

II. GOD IS ACTIVE

- a. These churches were suffering.
- b. These churches were lacking gratitude and grace.
- c. Remember we are imitators of Christ and not Caesar.

III. GOD IS THE ENCOURAGER

- a. This is a bit of a surprise—turn, serve, and wait.
- b. Be encouraged today because our headlines come from the Trinity and not the local news.
- c. The headlines in the future will read: JUSTICE, MERCY, KINDNESS now reign—like the banner outside of PPC facing Bradford Ave.