

## MONDAY 06.22.26 - John 20:21

*Again Jesus said, "Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you."*

The old TV show Mission Impossible always started with these words, "your mission, should you choose to accept it ...". If you have accepted the gift of salvation God has given you a mission. Unlike Mission Impossible, He did not ask you if you wanted it. He did not give you the opportunity to reject it. You may say, I'm shy, I don't know what to say, I don't have the gift of evangelism. God is not concerned with your excuses because it is not about your ability to work for Him, but rather your willingness to allow Him to work through you. In today's scripture we see that God has given us a mission. In the next verse we see that He has equipped us through His Spirit to do what He has called us to do. Ask God to use you today to bring someone closer to Him and look for the opportunities that present themselves. You might be surprised by the outcome.

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## TUESDAY 06.23.26 - Revelation:22:17

*17 The Spirit and the bride say, "Come!" And let the one who hears say, "Come!" Let the one who is thirsty come; and let the one who wishes take the free gift of the water of life.*

The scene takes place in the heavenly city of New Jerusalem. It is a moment where the Spirit and the bride, representing the church, offer an invitation to all who are thirsty to come and partake of the water of life freely. It emphasizes that the only water that will satisfy is God's gift of salvation and eternal life through grace and faith. It is available to all.

Many attempt to quench their thirst with temporary solutions: power, sex, drugs, fame, money, relationships. They stumble through life chasing happiness and fulfillment and come up empty.

Maybe this describes you, if so: Come to the Fountain.

Or, maybe you've accepted Christ, if so, consider this:

I've never met a person who returned from the Grand Canyon, Yellowstone, The Tetons, or Glacier that didn't want to share and describe what they'd seen, as if they were the first to discover it. How can we not share Christ?

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## WEDNESDAY 06.24.26 - Ephesians6:18-20

Paul concludes his teaching on the armor of God by encouraging the Ephesian believers to pray. Prayer is the energy that enables the Christian soldier to wear the armor and wield the sword. We cannot fight the battle in our own power no matter how strong or talented we might think we are. When Amalek attacked Israel, Moses went to the mountaintop to pray while Joshua used the sword down in the valley (Exod. 17:8-16). It took both to defeat Amalek—Moses' intercession on the mountain and Joshua's use of the sword in the valley. Prayer is the power for victory over Satan. Samuel Chadwick writes: "The one concern of the Devil is to keep the saints from praying. He fears nothing from prayer-less studies, prayer-less work, prayer-less religion. He laughs at our toil, mocks at our wisdom, but trembles when we pray."

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## THURSDAY 06.25.26 - Proverbs 15:29

This entire chapter is filled to the brim with great advice about speaking only good and true things, about listening before

speaking, working hard and not being lazy, seeking understanding and not folly. These two approaches to life are paths for us to walk. We select one each day. If our selection is to walk faithfully with the Lord and live Godly, then our path is beneficial, even if the present circumstances are difficult. The proof of this principle appears in verse 29. In the midst of any daily trial, we are free to pray to our Father, and he is near to us. But He remains far from the wicked, waiting only for their prayer of repentance.

It is this nearness of our God to defend and protect and support us, that makes our life enjoyable and fruitful. Our Father will fight every battle and defeat every foe.

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## FRIDAY 06.26.26 - Psalm 19:14

Psalm 19 describes the magnificence of God's revelation through creation and His Word. This culminates in the psalmist's personal prayer, recognizing that a God this great surely knows even the deepest thoughts of the heart. Verse 14 is not an attempt to avoid God's judgment but an expression of a genuine desire that every part of life—even words and inward meditations—would be pleasing to the One who is both protector and foundation: "my rock and my redeemer." He asks God to receive his whole life as acceptable worship. What a desire! Does your awareness of God's greatness cause you to desire to live in a way that is pleasing to Him? May you know Him as your Redeemer, and because you belong to Him, seek to offer Him words and thoughts that are pleasing in His sight!

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## **E2 GROUP OPPORTUNITIES**

### SUNDAY MORNING LADIES' BIBLE STUDY

Began June 7<sup>th</sup> - 9:40am in Room 2

#### **Ecclesiastes: "Finding Meaning When Life Feels Meaningless"**

By Lydia Brownback.

This 10-week study helps women understand the themes of sin, vanity, enjoyment, and death, ultimately encouraging believers to follow the will of God for their lives, no matter their current circumstances.

### SUNDAY MORNINGS - 9:40am

**Kids** CHILDREN'S CHURCH (Ages 4 – 4th Grade)  
LOCATION: Camp Shiloh on the Lower Level  
NURSERY (through Age 3) \*9:40AM ONLY  
LOCATION: Camp Shiloh on the Lower Level

**Youth** E2 CLASS (5th – 12th Grade)  
LOCATION: Youth Activity Center (across street)

**Adults** **SUMMER QUARTER** - Sunday Mornings

LOCATION: B8-10 - June 7<sup>th</sup> - August 30<sup>th</sup>

#### **EXPLORE THE BIBLE: Joshua; Judges; Ruth**

By studying these books, we see that God is still at work, raising leaders from the most unlikely places. We are challenged to reserve our loyalty for our ultimate Leader. Teachers: Joel Day & Lane Kemler

### SUNDAY EVENINGS - 6:00pm

**Youth** **ON SUMMER BREAK**

**Adults** **NOT MEETING TONIGHT- HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!**

### WEDNESDAY EVENING SUMMER BIBLE STUDY

Began June 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30pm - Room B8-10 - with Barry Wills

#### **"The Power of God's Names"** by Tony Evans (6 Sessions)

Get to know the names of God because it is in knowing His character and His capacity that you will rest and discover both peace and power in His covenant care.

TO SIGN UP OR REQUEST MORE INFORMATION FOR ANY OF THESE GROUPS OR CLASSES,  
USE THE CONNECTION CARD IN THE BULLETIN. THANK YOU.

## **Genesis 12:1-3**

### **Mankind's Need**

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### **Abram's Calling**

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### **Abram's Calling to Walk by Faith**

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 Edifying and Equipping Every Day

TAKING OUR NEXT STEP TOGETHER IN THE WORD



June 22 - June 26

#### INTRODUCTION:

Part of our purpose and strategy as a church is to Edify and Equip (E2) every believer. We desire to see every person take their next step with God, both individually as well as with families and small groups (E2 Communities). This devotional is to aid us in just that. We invite you to join us in daily devotion.

#### OVERVIEW:

Sunday, June 21<sup>st</sup>, we will hear a message from our ABWE Missions Speaker, Ed Glodfelter. Sunday, June 28<sup>th</sup>, our message will be "Spiritual Warfare" (part 4) from Ephesians 6:18-20.

#### KEY/MEMORY VERSE:

Finally, be strong in the Lord and in His mighty power  
Ephesians 6:10