

MONDAY 6.9.25 - Matthew 22:34-40

This segment of the Word puts meat on the bones. God so loved the world and Be holy for I am holy, are spirit principles that guide our thinking into actions. These develop in us behaviors that demonstrate goodness, gentleness and helpfulness in a world of chaos and egotism. Early Jews thought this came about by keeping the law in all its fine points. But Jesus explained to the testing lawyer that the greatest commandments of all, loving God in every way, and sharing Him with everyone, would demonstrate God's love to the world.

Love God with all our heart, soul, mind and strength. We know how to love our family and close friends and even our country. That framework fits also for our love of God. Looking upward and outward, we share God's love for the world. This is the Gospel.

SPACE FOR REFLECTION

TUESDAY 6.10.25 - 1 Corinthians 13:4-5

⁴ Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. ⁵ It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs.

As Christians we are called to the level of love that is described in today's scripture. The bar has been set very high, and if you are anything like me, you get discouraged when you realize how far you fall from the standard that has been set. The problem is that our life this side of heaven is a life in process and this process is not a straight line moving toward becoming more like Christ. It is a slow and sometimes agonizing path filled with ups and downs, victories and failures, of joy and sorrow. We must remember that it is these very things that God is using in your life as He works in you to make you more and more like Christ with each passing day. Remember He is the potter, and you are the clay, let him mold you and make you into what He wants you to be today.

SPACE FOR REFLECTION

WEDNESDAY 6.11.25 - 1 Thessalonians 2:11-12

"It has been said that as goes the family, so goes the world. It can also be said that as goes the father, so goes the family."
~ Voddie Baucham

There are two equal realities that are summed up in the above statement: that the way of a father can either ruin or bless a family. I am grateful for the men of Shiloh that have purposely chosen the path of blessing.

We live in a world that is increasingly hostile toward men. We've seen a shameful diminishment of strong, bold, faithful masculinity, and it is wreaking havoc in families and our society at large. So more than ever, it's important to uphold and to encourage those men who are not catering to the world's view of manhood but holding fast to God's design for them instead. Take a moment this week to express your appreciation to dads who are following the Lord.

SPACE FOR REFLECTION

THURSDAY 6.12.25 - Proverbs 10:12

Our devotional passage for today teaches three major lessons for a dad as he seeks to lead his family in the ways of the Lord. He is to ...

- 1) Experience Personal Consecration

Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength.

- 2) Emphasize Biblical Communication

These commandments that I give you today are to be upon your hearts. Impress them on your children.

Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. Tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates.

- 3) Eliminate Worldly Contamination

Be careful that you do not forget the Lord, who brought you out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery.

SPACE FOR REFLECTION

FRIDAY 6.13.25 - Psalm 103:13

As a father has compassion on his children, so, the Lord has compassion on those who fear him;

Throughout the Bible God is referred to as our father and we are his children. In Matthew 7:11, Jesus states, "If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father who is in heaven give good things to those who ask him?"

The Hebrew root of the word implies it is not just a feeling of 'compassion', but there is action involved. This verse reminds us that God shows us love, tenderness, and understands our struggles and fears.

Yet, we must recognize this is a two-way street. While God offers his compassion, the verse highlights our role of responding in fear and reverence which leads to obedience and gratitude. As we open our hearts to Him, we experience compassion that we in turn extend to others by offering solace and hope to those feeling lost or alone and facing life's challenges.

SPACE FOR REFLECTION

E2 GROUP OPPORTUNITIES

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 at 9:40
LOCATION: B8-10 – Gene Steinruck- begins June 1.
EXPLORE THE BIBLE – Psalms - Let the ancient words meet you where you are. Listen as God speaks to your heart and reminds you how much He cares about you.
LOCATION: B11 Teacher: TBD – begins June 1st.
BIBLE STUDIES FOR LIFE (part 1)
Risk Takers: The Adventure of Walking by Faith - Though exercising our faith can feel risky, see that the God we follow turns it into a grand adventure when we place our trust in Him.
LOCATION: B11 – Teacher: TBD – July 13th & 20th.
Safe and Secure: Our Eternal Security in Christ

SUNDAY EVENINGS - 6:00pm

- Kids** MESSIAH KIDS (Kindergarten – 4th Grade)
LOCATION: Camp Shiloh on the Lower Level
RESUMES IN THE FALL
- Youth** YOUTH GROUP (5th – 12th Grade)
LOCATION: Youth Activity Center (across street)
RESUMES IN THE FALL
- Adults** LOCATION: Worship Center

SUMMER SMALL GROUP

WEDNESDAY EVENING STUDY Starts July 9th 6:30pm – Rm. B8-B10.

FULLY DEVOTED: by: Alex Kendrick & Stephen Kendrick

This powerful, eight-session study will take you on a journey through Jesus's invitation to come to Him as you are, trust Him with your faith, surrender to Him with your heart, follow Him with your life, and then intentionally make disciples of others. Led by Barry Wills.

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John 21:15-17

Characteristics of a Committed Christian (Pt. 2)

Jesus Christ died on a cross on Friday, April 3, AD 33. He was placed in a tomb, but He didn't remain there. On Sunday, April 5, Jesus became alive again. He appeared to His Apostles in Jerusalem that evening. Again, He appeared to them a week later in Jerusalem. Now, Jesus appeared to His Apostles a third time along the shores of the Sea of Tiberias in Galilee.

In John 21, we learn of the characteristics of a committed Christian.

- _____ (vv 1-14)
- _____ (vv 15-17)

Three Questions:

- Jesus: "Do you love (*agape*) me more than these?"
Peter: "I love (*philos*) you."

Agape love is the unselfish, sacrificial giving of yourself for the benefit of someone else without expecting to be repaid. This is the highest form of love. *Philos* refers to a friendship type of love such as when you like someone.

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Because Peter learned humility, God could use him in greater ways than ever before. So, Jesus told him to: "Feed my lambs," "Take care of my sheep," "Feed my sheep."

What are you doing to shepherd Jesus' sheep? What are you doing to serve your brothers and sisters in Christ?

 Edifying and Equipping Every Day

TAKING OUR NEXT STEP TOGETHER IN THE WORD



June 9 – June 13

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:

Monday and Tuesday's readings will be a follow up on Sunday's message from June 8th. "Characteristics of a Committed Christian" (part 2), with Pastor Doug Lyon. Wednesday's through Friday's devotions will help prepare us for the message on June 15th, "Thanks Dad!" with Pastor Doug Lyon.

KEY/MEMORY VERSE:

My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you.
John 15:12