

## Announcements

### **Our 4<sup>th</sup> of July Celebration Needs YOU!**

**IMPORTANT PLANNING MEETINGS  
for volunteers on**

**Monday, April 27<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm**

**Tuesday, May 26<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm**

**Tuesday, June 30<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm**

**Your input and ideas are highly valued.**

**PLEASE come to at least ONE.**



**ENTER ♦ EMBRACE ♦ EMPOWER**

**we desire to see people..**

*entering new life in Christ,  
embracing life-principles of Christ, and  
empowered for life service by Christ*

**May 24, 2026**

YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN  
US IN SUPPORTED THE  
ANNUAL..



**1**

**Pick Up Bottles - May 10th  
on Mother's Day**

**2**

**Fill them up throughout the  
month\***

**3**

**Drop Them Off - June 21st  
on Father's Day**



**..or you can  
donate online!**



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*\*please make any checks payable directly to Bright Hope*

### Contact Us

#### **Church Office Hours:**

Monday to Thursday: 10am - 3pm

#### **Church Office Phone & Email:**

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#### Elders

**Pastor Norman Carlisle** Lead Pastor

**Rev. Mike Henderson** Associate Pastor

**Martin Rosario**

**Jamie Sumner**

**Enoch Whipple**

Youth Director/  
Assistant to the Pastor

**Tim Corbett**

#### Deacons

**James Odinyo** Lead Deacon

**Alexander Algard**

**Hannah Bovard**

**Micah Carlisle**

**Tim Corbett**

**Brock Nearhoof**

**Kriss Olivo**

#### Ministers:

**ALL BELIEVERS**



# The Week Ahead...



Current Series:  
**The Book of Hebrews**  
In Fellowship Hall

**Lifeinary**  
*Theology learned and lived!*  
**9:30am**  
for all ages

Current Series:  
**Evangelical Theology**  
In Youth Room

## Worship Service

**10:30am**

- Fellowship (in Fellowship hall)
- Welcome & Announcements Ben Bovard
- Baptism
  - ✧ Ben Guilder ✧ Jonell Kuremsky ✧ Skylar Mathews
- Opening Song Music Team
- Scripture Reading & Prayer Mike Henderson
- Message Norman Carlisle
- Praise & Ministry Music Team
- Closing Prayer Mike Henderson

*\*additional seating available downstairs in the Fellowship Hall*

## Children's Info

**Infants & Nursing Mothers -**  
Nursery Downstairs under Foyer

**Children's Church (18mo - 6th grade) -**  
Check in available Upstairs Classrooms

## Offering



If you would like to give an **Offering** today, please place it in one of the boxes in the **Sanctuary** with your name clearly printed on your envelope. You can also give **Online** through the church **Website** or **App**.

**Sunday, May 24<sup>th</sup>**  
**Sunday School - 9:30am** in Fellowship Hall  
**Sunday Morning Service - 10:30am**

**Monday, May 25<sup>th</sup>**  
**No Events**

**Tuesday, May 26<sup>th</sup>**  
**Home Group - 6:30pm** at The Nearhoof's  
**Outreach Meeting - 6:30pm** in Room 33

**Wednesday, May 27<sup>th</sup>**  
**Pastor's Meeting - noon** in Fellowship Hall

**Thursday, May 28<sup>th</sup>**  
**Youth For Christ - 5:30pm** in Youth Room

**Friday, May 29<sup>th</sup>**  
**No Events**

**Saturday, May 30<sup>th</sup>**  
**Music Practice - 6pm** in the Sanctuary

## John 15:12-13 (NASB)

<sup>12</sup>“This is My commandment, that you love one another, just as I have loved you. <sup>13</sup>Greater love has no one than this, that a person will lay down his life for his friends.

## **Discussion Guide**

Date: May 24, 2026

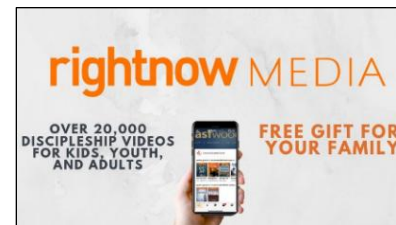
Sermon Title:

“You Are Invited!”



### **More about Home Groups...**

We encourage everyone to be a part of a small group community to deepen your relationship with Christ and His church. If you're interested in knowing more, please check the website or contact the Church Office.



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## **SCRIPTURE REFERENCES** (NASB unless otherwise noted)

### **Matthew 22:1-14**

**1** Jesus spoke to them again in parables, saying,

**2** “The kingdom of heaven is like a king who held a wedding feast for his son.

**3** And he sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding feast, and they were unwilling to come.

**4** Again he sent other slaves, saying, ‘Tell those who have been invited, “Behold, I have prepared my dinner; my oxen and my fattened cattle are all butchered and everything is ready. Come to the wedding feast!” ’

**5** “But they paid no attention and went their separate ways, one to his own farm, another to his business,

**6** and the rest seized his slaves and treated them abusively, and then killed them.

**7** Now the king was angry, and he sent his armies and destroyed those murderers and set their city on fire.

**8** Then he said to his slaves, ‘The wedding feast is ready, but those who were invited were not worthy.

**9** So go to the main roads, and invite whomever you find there to the wedding feast.’

**10** Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered together all whom they found, both bad and good; and the wedding hall was filled with dinner guests.

**11** “But when the king came in to look over the dinner guests, he saw a man there who was not dressed in wedding clothes,

**12** and he said to him, ‘Friend, how did you get in here without wedding clothes?’ And the man was speechless.

**13** Then the king said to the servants, ‘Tie his hands and feet, and throw him into the outer darkness; there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth in that place.’

**14** For many are called, but few are chosen.”

## **ADDITIONAL REFERENCES**

**Romans 1:20**

**Romans 2:14-15**

**1 Corinthians 1:26-29**

**Galatians 3:27**

## **OPENING DISCUSSION**

1. What was the main thing you learned from the sermon?
2. What questions do you have about anything that was raised during the message?

## **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

1. What kind of invitations have you been sent and how did you react/respond to them?
2. What invitations have *you* sent out? How did you react/respond to them when people ...accepted your invitation? ...rejected your invitation?
3. What is God’s invitation to mankind?
4. In what ways has God sent His invitation to mankind, even those who have not specifically heard of Jesus? (Romans 1:20 & 2:14-15)
5. Why are some unwilling to accept the invitation to accept Christ into their life?
6. Why have some reacted violently to the invitation by killing the messengers and ultimately the Son of God?
7. Why did God send the invitation out to the foolish, weak, insignificant and despised? (1 Corinthians 1:26-29)
8. Why was the man in the parable thrown out into outer darkness, and what does this teach us? (Matthew 22:11-13)
9. In what ways have you seen people trying to act like Christians, but they haven’t truly accepted Christ?
10. Describe the time you accepted the invitation from God to accept Jesus as savior and Lord of your life.