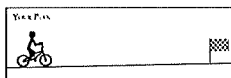


November 2020

Church Life

- If you are a guest with us today, we want to **WELCOME** you! If you haven't done so already, we invite you to stop by our Guest Reception Center in the lobby at the scooter table following the service. Someone will greet you, answer any questions you may have, and give you a gift as a thank-you for worshipping with us today!
- **Bible Reading Plan** - This year, we are encouraging our entire church to read through the Bible in one year. Every weekend, we will be giving away a \$50 gift card to a person who read the readings for the prior week. So here's how this works, please visit the scooter table **BEFORE** service, write your name on a ticket (if you did the readings for the week), and drop it in the bin. Then, at the end of the service, Pastor Adam will pull out a name, and someone will go home with a gift card(all services). We want to encourage our church to be in their Bibles, happy reading!
- Here at Grace, we have a wonderful **meal train ministry**. If any of our church family undergoes a significant life event, like a new baby, surgery, etc., we like to take one thing off their plates by bringing them dinner. If you've done that in the past and would like to continue to be a part of the meal train team (or would like to start!), email Kate Dulmes at kate.dulmes@gmail.com.
- Grace is looking for some friendly men and women to serve at the Information desk/Scooter table. Please fill out your connection card if you are interested!
- TOPS is meeting at Grace every Tuesday from 5-7 pm. All women are welcome to join. No sign up is needed.
- Ladies, **SAVE THE DATE!** Please join us on December 11 at 6:30 pm for a fun-filled evening of fellowship with laughter and a Pinterest worthy craft. Come for the fellowship; stay for the desert. Hope to see you there!



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A _____ life is a _____ life.

2 Corinthians 3: 13-18 (MSG), Unlike Moses, we have nothing to hide. Everything is out in the open with us. He wore a veil so the children of Israel wouldn't notice that the glory was fading away—and they *didn't* notice. They didn't notice it then and they don't notice it now, don't notice that there's nothing left behind that veil. Even today when the proclamations of that old, bankrupt government are read out, they can't see through it. Only Christ can get rid of the veil so they can see for themselves that there's nothing there. Whenever, though, they turn to face God as Moses did, God removes the veil and there they are—face-to-face! They suddenly recognize that God is a living, personal presence, not a piece of chiseled stone. And when God is personally present, a living Spirit, that old, constricting legislation is recognized as obsolete. We're free of it! All of us! Nothing between us and God, our faces shining with the brightness of his face. And so we are transfigured much like the Messiah, our lives gradually becoming brighter and more beautiful as God enters our lives and we become like him.

2 Corinthians 3: 13-15 (NIV), "We are not like Moses, who put a veil over his face to prevent the Israelites from seeing the end of what was passing away." ¹⁴ But their minds were made dull, for to this day the same veil remains when the old covenant is read. It has not been removed, because only in Christ is it taken away. ¹⁵ Even to this day when Moses is read, a veil covers their hearts.

2 Corinthians 4:4, "The god of this age has blinded the minds of unbelievers, so that they cannot see the light of the gospel that displays the glory of Christ, who is the image of God."

2 Corinthians 3:16-18, But whenever anyone turns to the Lord the veil is taken away. Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. And we all, who with unveiled faces contemplate the Lord's glory, are being transformed into His image with [everlasting] glory, which comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit."

When I start seeking _____ from God alone, I will be set _____!

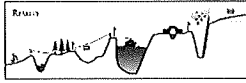
What veil are you wearing? What image are you trying to portray in your life, that is not who you truly are? _____

A veil that first covers the _____ eventually covers the _____.

Is there anyone that knows the real you? Is there anyone that you share the deepest parts of your heart?

Jesus removed my veil, so I can be REAL!

"Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom."



November 15th 2020

Filtered Life

1. There are unintended downsides/ consequences to everything we do. How might those downside risks clash with Biblical values?
2. Today, many people filter their lives to show people the, "This is the filtered me I want you to see." Is this okay? Why or why not?

KEY POINT: A filtered life is a fake life.

3. The more filtered our lives become, the more difficult it is to be REAL. Why is this true?

READ: 2 Corinthians 3: 13-18 (MSG):

4. Moses was glowing after being with God, then he lost his glow. What did he do?
5. The glory of God was fading so Moses put on a filter. Moses was filtering just like we do today. Why?
6. Why were the Jewish people blinded from seeing and experiencing the truth?

READ: 2 Corinthians 4:4

7. How was the veil covering their eyes from seeing the truth of who Christ is? Have you thought about this before?
8. According to 2 Corinthians 3:16 how do we lose the veil?
9. Why do we often wear a 'veil' in many parts of our lives?
10. The Bible shows us that through Jesus we can discover the freedom to be who HE made us to be. When you stop wearing masks or veils and stop seeking feedback from other people you will be set free. Discuss this.

KEY POINT: When I start seeking affirmation from God alone, I will be set FREE!

11. What veil are you wearing? What image are you trying to portray in your life that is not who you truly are?

A Quote from Pastor Adam... We all struggle with the "me" we want you to see. I think we still feel empty, because we are not being totally real with anybody, and vulnerable in the way God wants us to be. See we can start wearing the veil as a superficial covering. We just don't want someone to know that about me. If we are not careful it can become a spiritual condition. When you turn to the Lord, you don't even have to remove the veil, because He does it for you! "When you turn to the Lord, the veil is taken away." And suddenly you're not getting your approval from likes, you're getting it from Jesus!

READ: 2 Corinthians 3: 15 (MSG):

12. What was covered?

KEY POINT: A veil that first covers the face eventually covers the heart.

13. Where is our true identity found?
 14. If our identity is found in Jesus alone do we need a mask or veil?
 15. Jesus removes our veil, so we can be REAL!
- READ: 2 Corinthians 3:17-18 (MSG):**
16. Do you have freedom? We are transformed, not into the person that we think others want us to be, but we are "being transformed into His image, with ever-increasing glory." Discuss this.

Questions to ask yourself this week:

Is there anyone that knows the real you?

Is there anyone that you share the deepest parts of your heart?

