

May 2021

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 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!
- The **Life Team** is sponsoring a LifeWalk fundraising walk to benefit **Lakeshore Pregnancy Center**. The walk will begin at First Baptist Church, Zeeland, on Saturday, June 19, at 9:00 am.
- **Grace Motorcycle Ministry** is starting up in May! Please meet at Grace at 6:00 pm on Tuesday, May 25. At approximately 6:30 pm, the group will leave for a ride and get some ice cream! Plan on arriving back at church around 8-8:30 pm. Invite a motorcycle friend(s) to come along! This is open to men and women and will meet the 4th Tuesday of May through August. Please contact Tom TenHarmsel at ttenharmssel@gmail.com or Jim Hill at jimhill0626@gmail.com with questions. Please sign-up at the scooter table if you are interested.
- Storms and difficulties are often part of our lives. The good news is that God loves to bring healing and restoration to our broken hearts. If you are facing or have experienced divorce and would be interested in a **Divorce Care Group** led by an experienced and qualified counselor, please contact Lynne Lehocky at: llehocky@yahoo.com or Pastor John at: john@gracechapelzeeland.com
- Teens, youth group, will be at Grace this Sunday. Please join us at **Grace** for a **BBQ, bonfire, and games!** See you all there!



May 16 2021

Sermon Title: 8th, 9th & 10th Resurrection Appearances

Most Important questions you will ever answer?

Do you believe Jesus _____ from the _____?

Do you submit your _____ to Jesus as the only source of _____?

Matthew 28: 16-20 The Great Commission,¹⁶ Then the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had told them to go. ¹⁷ When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. ¹⁸ Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹ Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,²⁰ and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

I _____ to Jesus because Jesus is the ultimate _____ in all things.

Philippians 2:9-11, "God has highly exalted him and given him a name that is above every name that at the name of Jesus every knee shall bow and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father."

_____ to Jesus brings _____ into my life.

2 Timothy 4:16-17, "At my first defense, no one came to my support, but everyone deserted me. May it not be held against them. But the Lord stood at my side and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. And I was delivered from the lion's mouth."

_____ to Jesus means dedicating _____ to making _____ of Jesus.

John 18:36, "My kingdom is not of this world. If My kingdom were of this world, then My servants would be fighting so that I would not be handed over to the Jews; but as it is, My kingdom is not of this realm."

2 Corinthians 10:4, "The weapons of our warfare are not of the flesh."

Luke 10:3, "Go, I send you out as lambs in the midst of wolves."

Life Application

Think about one small step you could take, starting today, to become a disciple-maker for Jesus. Share with someone you are close with. Encourage and invite them to ask you how you are doing in the months ahead.



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1. Have you read the book, "The Case for Christ" by Lee Strobel? He wrote it because he did not believe Jesus rose from the dead. And he did not submit his life to Jesus as **any** source of salvation. So, do you know what he ended up being certain of?

READ: Matthew 28:16-20, The Great Commission & Philippians 2:9-11

2. This is the last conversation recorded in the book of Matthew. What did Jesus claim regarding Himself? Discuss this.

KEY POINT: I submit to Jesus because Jesus is the ultimate authority in all things.

3. The second half of verse 20 tells us another important fact. What does it say? How does this encourage us?

KEY POINT: Submitting to Jesus brings comfort into my life.

4. Jesus begins with this big claim and ends with this loving and comforting statement. "I will be with you to the end of the age." In this short statement Jesus gives us identification, continuation, and duration. Why is this important?

READ: Jeremiah 31:33, Jeremiah 32:40, Romans 8:28, Isaiah 41:10, 2 Timothy 4:16-17

5. In these verses what are the amazing and hope-filled promises to which we can cling?
6. Do you see in these verses that our all-powerful, all-ruling God whom we serve does, not break his promise of always being with us? Matthew 28:20 says, until the end of the age. As long as the world lasts, Jesus will be with us in this world. That should bring you great comfort! Does it?

A Quote from Pastor Adam... The One who has put all His enemies under His feet! The One who has died for us and risen for us and triumphed over sin, and guilt, and condemnation, and suffering, and death, and Satan. The One who has all authority in heaven and on earth. Jesus comforts us by promising that he will be with us to the end of the age To help us. To do good in our lives. To bring us safely to everlasting joy. What a great God we serve.

Re-READ Matthew 28:19-20

KEY POINT: Submitting to Jesus means dedicating my life to making disciples of Jesus.

7. Is verse 19 a command of Jesus or a suggestion? What does it mean to make a disciple?

Making disciples means we live like Jesus as much as possible for the purpose of leading people toward Jesus.

Then once they come to know Jesus, we will intentionally sacrifice our time to invest into them.

8. Jesus' call to us is for us to go out and reach people far from God and through Jesus' authority and power lead them to salvation in Jesus! Jesus commanded us to go and make disciples among every people. Christianity is a missionary faith. Discuss what this means.
9. Jesus' is wrapping up his earthly ministry with these words because he wanted us to respond. He was motivating us to act. NOW is our time to respond. How might we do this as a small group? What could this look like? How could our praying together show us our next step of faith in being disciple makers? What can we commit to as a small group? And as an individual follower of Jesus Christ?

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