

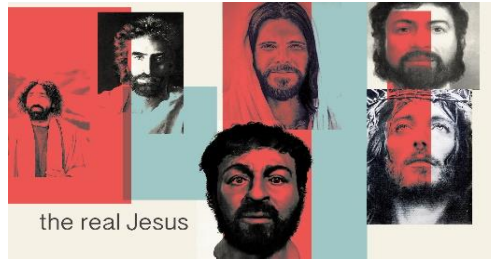
February 23, 2020

Prayer Life

- Tina Tenharmself, please pray for healing and peace due to a recent medical condition.

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! It is located right by the "Patio," look for the round rack on the outside wall.
- Jason and Kristyna Schuring are the mission of the month. They are translating the Bible to indigenous people in Brazil. Please grab a prayer card to take home and pray over. These cards are in the seatback pocket in front of you. Also, new missionary postcards are available in the seatback pocket for you to write a note of appreciation and encouragement to Jason and Kristyna. Please take one out, write a note on the backside and place the card in the blue Mission Mailbox located in the lobby.
- **Bible Reading Plan** - This year, we are encouraging our entire church to read through the Bible in one year. One of our AMAZING business leaders came up with an idea to make this more enticing. 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(both services). We want to encourage our church to be in their Bibles, happy reading!
- Today is the last day to sign up for **Financial Peace University (FPU)**. FPU meets on Tuesday, February 26, from 6:30-8:00 pm. FPU is a nine-lesson course that gives you the proven plan to master budgeting, pay off debt, build wealth, and give generously. The course centers around lessons taught by Dave Ramsey, Chris Hogan, and Rachel Cruze, followed by small group discussions. FPU includes your member workbook as well as one year of free access to Financial Peace Membership, where you'll find tons of online resources to help you start winning with money. Contact Terry Vanden Bosch at (616) 405-3175 or tsvandenbosch@gmail.com for more info.
- Please check the coat racks in the lower level before March! Any remaining items will be donated. Thanks!



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Luke 19 Jesus at the Temple, ⁴⁵ When Jesus entered the temple courts, he began to drive out those who were selling. ⁴⁶ “It is written,” he said to them, “My house will be a house of prayer’; but you have made it ‘a den of robbers.” ⁴⁷ Every day he was teaching at the temple. But the chief priests, the teachers of the law and the leaders among the people were trying to kill him. ⁴⁸ Yet they could not find any way to do it, because all the people hung on his words.

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Life Application

This week write down the things you are most passionate about. Then look over that list and ask, “What consumes me, what is most of my time devoted to, what is most of my talent devoted to, where do I spend most of my treasure” and write down what you think. Discuss this with a loved one or friend this week. Share what you are learning about the passion Jesus had for His Father.



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READ: Luke 19:45-48 Jesus at the Temple

1. Have every struggled with anger?
2. Do you believe that anger is a sin? When is anger ok?
3. Un-Godly behavior angers God... what might be an easy definition of this behavior?

DISCUSS THIS: Perhaps we could say un-Godly is: a person who should know better, acting in a way that brings dishonor to God the Father. Anyone behaving in a way that diminishes the Glory of God through word, deed, or action.

4. If we went with the above definition, could God call you out for un-Godly behavior?
5. Often, we do not want to see who we really are. We don't want to be called out when we behave badly. Would you want to see Jesus to call you out like he did here?
6. In this passage we see people that spent their ENTIRE life in church. People who spent their life behaving in a way they had come to believe was not only ok, but, good! What might be a few things Jesus might take issue with, in the church today?
7. Pastor Adam made the point that the people were going to the temple to do the right thing. Jesus is not getting angry about that. The problem was not the selling, the problem was something else, the problem was the people, as Mark put it, "changing money." Explain what that meant.
8. The problem was not what they were doing, (selling sacrificial animals), the problem was that over time they allowed the heart and purpose to become corrupted, and they had allowed corruption to creep into God's house. Where do you see this in the church today?

A Quote from Pastor Adam... This corruption happens in our lives all the time. I can watch this TV show or movie and think it won't affect me, But overtime... I can drink this, I can smoke that, I can shoot this, but over time... I will allow this gossip in my life because it doesn't hurt anyone but over time... If I buy this it will make me feel better but over time... If I eat this ice cream it will make me feel better, but over time...

Here is the point: Things can start out with a good purpose but if we are not careful over time, minor adjustments can lead us astray.

DISCUSS Pastor Adam's Quote

QUESTION:

Am I willing to be as zealous for God as I am for my Greatest passion.

1. What are you honestly most zealous or passionate about?
2. What would those who know you well say you are the biggest fan of?
3. What consumes you? What consumes the majority of your normal non-working hours' time.

RE-READ: Luke 19:45-48

1. Can you imagine the shock of being Jesus' disciple, seeing this play out before your eyes?
2. They may have been whispering to one another: Should we stop Jesus? Should we talk Jesus down off the ledge? GREAT, right when everything is going great Jesus does this, now what are people going to say? Do you worry about people say these kinds of things about you if you get too excited about Jesus?

THE POINT: Jesus shows everyone what the purpose of the Temple, of church, truly is. Teaching people about God and leading people toward God.

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