



If you are a guest with us today, we want to **WELCOME** you! If you have not done so already, we invite you to stop by our Guest Reception Center in the lobby at the welcome desk 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!

Do you know what is happening at Family Church? You can now go to our updated events calendar on our website or through our app to find more event details or register to participate! Check out what is happening at Family Church online or through our app, and we hope you can join us at study or another event soon!

Prayer Ministry

- Calling all Prayer Warriors! This spring, join with believers across the country who are changing the world through prayer! Seize the day, and get your *Seek God for the City 2022* prayer guide now available at the Information Table. Believers across the U.S. are uniting in 40 days of prayer leading up to Palm Sunday (March 2-April 10, 2022). Each day's focus and "Prayers of Biblical Hope" will inspire and encourage your prayer life. Let us see together what God will do! E-versions are also available!

Outreach Ministry

- Attention disciple-makers! Family Church will host the Families Count program, a ministry aiming to minister and mentor parents of children who have been placed into the local foster care system or are at risk of entering it. We need men and women willing to serve once a week for six weeks to mentor and walk alongside the parents to offer support, encouragement, and love. Please contact lesh.allison@yahoo.com or maatalison@gmail.com for more information.

Women's Ministry

- Join women worldwide as we gather for the IF: Gathering at Family church on March 4 and 5. Hear from incredible speakers who will challenge and encourage us as believers to navigate this current culture. For more information and to register, go to FamilyChurch.App/Events. Registration closes on March 1!

Worship Ministry

- Coming to Family Church-Grace Campus, nationally known Christian artists Micah Tyler and Austin French. Friday, March 18, 2022. Invite your friends. This will be an incredible time of Christian worship, music, and testimony. Join us! Tickets are for sale at itickets.com! Our own Go & Tell Worship band will open.

Family Church - Weekly Services

- **Thursday at 6:30 pm** - Live Service and Kids Church at Ebenezer Campus
- **Sunday at 9:00 am** - Live Service and Kids Church at Grace Campus
- **Sunday at 9:30 am** - Live Service and Kids Church at Ebenezer Campus
- **Sunday at 10:45 am** - Live Service and Kids Church at Grace Campus

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Loving God, Loving People and Making Disciples



February 13th 2022

Intentionally Stopping Something

The decisions that I make _____ determine the stories that I will tell _____.
Andy Stanley: Direction not intention determines destination.

Jeremiah 29:11, "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."

How do we live a story worth telling?

Hebrews 12:2, Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.

Exodus 18:17-19,17, Moses' father-in-law replied, "What you are doing is not good. 18 You and these people who come to you will only wear yourselves out. The work is too heavy for you; you cannot handle it alone. 19 Listen now to me and I will give you some advice, and may God be with you. You must be the people's representative before God and bring their disputes to him. 20 Teach them his decrees and instructions, and show them the way they are to live and how they are to behave. 21 But select capable men from all the people—men who fear God, trustworthy men who hate dishonest gain—and appoint them as officials over thousands, hundreds, fifties and tens. 22 Have them serve as judges for the people at all times, but have them bring every difficult case to you; the simple cases they can decide themselves. That will make your load lighter, because they will share it with you. 23 If you do this and God so commands, you will be able to stand the strain, and all these people will go home satisfied."

What is one thing that's not good in your life? _____

1. You don't know what you're _____ until you _____.

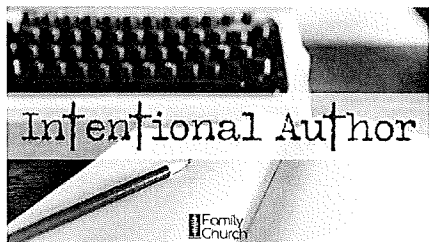
2. You don't know what it will _____ you if you don't _____.

Jeremiah 29:11, "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."

Hebrews 12:1-3, Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, ² fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith. For the joy set before him he endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. ³ Consider him who endured such opposition from sinners, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart.

Life Application

What habit can you STOP that will help you tell the story God wants you to tell?



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1. Sometimes before we start doing the right things, we need to stop doing the wrong things.

KEY POINT: The decisions that I make today determine the stories that I will tell tomorrow.

KEY POINT: Andy Stanley: Direction not intention determines destination.

2. Good intentions are really meaningless. It is what we DO is what really matters. Discuss this.
3. Where you expect your life to be one day, will never happen, unless you direct your life toward that goal.

READ: Jeremiah 29:11

4. What do you think this means for you?
5. People can be full of regret, deep regret, and would love a "do over." What hope can we give them from this verse?

KEY QUESTION: How do we live a story worth telling?

READ: Hebrews 12:2

6. What can we learn from this?

READ: Exodus 18:17-22

7. This teaches us a great plan. Where is a place in your life where you need a plan like this?
8. A lighter load... Do you need a lighter load in some area of your life?
9. What positives come when you give part of your load to another person?
10. What is one thing that's not good in your life? Think of one thing, and only one thing, that you need to stop. How can you stop, how long will it take? Do you need to start making a plan toward that goal? Who will hold you accountable?

11. Discuss some of the improvements that could happen in your life if you stopped just ONE habit that is not good for you.

TWO KEY POINTS:

1. You don't know what you're missing until you stop.
2. You don't know what it will cost you if you don't stop.

12. Consider the play back of your life in either direction. What might that look like?

13. Think about what God wants you to want?

READ: Hebrews 12:1-3

14. What should we throw off? What are things that hinder? What do we need to stop? And who will help us with all of this?
15. The same Spirit that raised Christ from the dead dwells within those of you who believe, and you can... by His power stop! Why does it matter?

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