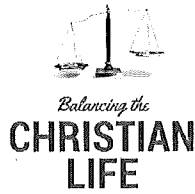


January 2021

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 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!
- Want to know what is going on at Grace? Weekly, we email out the E-news. The E-news is a sermon summary written by one of our amazing attenders. Please fill out your connection card if you would like to receive this!
- Ladies, **Woodbridge Moms in Prayer** invites you to join them in praying over the teachers, students, and families in the Zeeland area. This group meets at Grace, the first and third Tuesday mornings at 10:00 am. Please come and join them if you are interested!
- Have you ever spoke to someone about something you, as a Christian, believe about God, Jesus, the Bible, life, death, Heaven, Hell, etc., and they look at you like you're from a different planet? What do you do or say? Don't walk away! Don't give up! Instead, prepare yourself. **1 Peter 3:15** says, "Have no fear of them, nor be troubled, but in your hearts honor Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and respect..." Beginning on February 2 at 6:30 pm, Grace is starting a 12 week course titled, "**You Believe What?**" This study will explore some of the questions that skeptics have and some answers to those questions. Please join us at Grace and learn why you believe what you believe. Become a more confident witness.
- Grace would like to make the first Tuesday of each month **Card Making Day** for Resthaven and Royal Atrium Inn residents. Please join us at 9:00 am if you are interested!



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Matthew 10:2-4, These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon (who is called Peter) and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Zealot and Judas Iscariot, who betrayed him.

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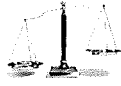
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_____ guides us in _____ making.

Life Application:

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Commit to it. Pray and ask God who to invest in. Follow God's leading and make a disciple of
Jesus in 2021!**

**PS - If you need help please ask anyone on staff and we will help you! We are here to help you do
this!**



Balancing the
**CHRISTIAN
LIFE**

January 2021

READ: Matthew 28: 16-20

1. Why should Christians serve?
2. What are good works?
3. As followers of Jesus how are we called to live?
4. What were the final words of Jesus?
5. So why is this so difficult?

Jesus' serving instructions:

1. Go
2. Make disciples

KEY POINT: The Great Commission was given to a group; not an individual.

6. How did Jesus begin His ministry?
7. Contrast this with the way He ended His ministry. What conclusions do you come to?
8. Re-read Matthew 28:16-20: The main directive is **not** "going" the main point is "making." How should this affect the way we live?

KEY POINT: Disciples are not just followers.

9. What is a true disciple?
When you decide to take on an apprentice, or a disciple, you are going to give up significant amount of time to teach that person your trade. You have to teach that person, you have to let that person fail to learn, you have to praise that person as they grow, you do life with them. Contrast this with disciple making.

10. Jesus went out and found people at the margins of society and said come follow me and do what I did. Does this put yet another spin on what Go and Make Disciples means to you?

The next two instructions were:

Jesus' serving instructions:

1. Baptize them
2. Teach them

11. Who baptizes? Who teaches?

KEY POINT: This 'teaching' is not easy! We have to be graceful and accept them as they are; but love them enough not to let them stay where they are! We come along beside them and help them grow!

*A Quote from Pastor Adam... Jesus assures us that He will be with us always. Jesus will be with you when you feel like you need to go talk to a person and you don't know how to start the conversation. Jesus will be with you when someone asks you a question you don't know how to answer. Jesus will be with you from now and into eternity! Jesus will be with you when you are scared. Jesus promises that he will ALWAYS be with you! What could be more comforting than that? So, a key point to understand is this: **Jesus guides us in disciple making. We are not alone!***

12. We are all called to make disciples and that does mean sometimes we have to step out of our comfort zone. How can you overcome the fear of leaving your comfort zone?

13. Do you have an I can mentality? Or a... I still have some stuff going on in my life I have to fix first, or now just isn't a good time for me because..., or I don't know enough about Jesus to help other people, or I am not in a good place spiritually mentality?

14. When Jesus called the 12, did He send them off to get themselves all holy first?

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This whole month has been about balance. If you will make sure you are at church weekly! If you will commit to doing your best in these areas this year. I can promise you that you will find a level of balance in your life that you have never seen before.

**STUDY YOUR BIBLE---
PRAY--- TITHE--- FAST--- SERVE.**

