



THIS WEEK

GRACE COMMUNITY CHURCH, KAILUA KONA, HAWAII

events

Important: The County has determined our hosting MLCA violates our Special Use Permit. Therefore, MLCA is no longer holding classes on the Grace campus.

Communion: Today

KonaKidsOutreach: Starts on Sept. 9. Plug-in and be the hands and feet bringing Jesus to the kids in our community. See Christine Kelley for details.

Ways to Give:

- Online on our website or app
- Giving box on Sundays
- Mail a check to the church

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Pastor Kevin Kelley
John 17:1-5

Big Idea of John: Jesus Christ is the Son of God

GRACE GROUP QUESTIONS

John 17:1-5

1. What stood out to you from the message the week? Why do you think that was so impactful for you? How will it translate into a deeper relationship with Christ as a member of His Body & Bride and maturation as an ambassador of the GOSPEL?
2. Read the following passages: Col 3:1-8; Phil 3:20-21; Matt 6:19-21; Web 12:1-2; 2 For 4:17-18; Rom 8:5-6; Matt 6:33. How do these passages connect with John 17:1? Why is it crucial to understand "Looking to Heaven" as an essential prerequisite for glorifying God?
3. Read John 13:34-35. Consider that Jesus does NOT say, "Love one another according to what love means to you," but instead says, "Just as I loved you, you are also to love one another. By THIS everyone will know that you are my disciples..." Are you, as Jesus said in John 13:38, willing to lay down your life for Christ? Does "everyone" know you as a disciple of Jesus this way? If not, what needs to change?
4. How do Paul's words from Philippians 3:7-11 help us understand Jesus' words from 17:3? As citizens of heaven, how does this context inform how we are to conduct ourselves? What is the inevitable fruit of such a life (see John 14:15, 27, 31; 15:4, 8, 21; 16:1, 8, 22, 33; 17:21)? If that's not true of you/us, what does Scripture reveal as the root issue (John 14:24)?
5. How does Jesus say He glorified The Father in John 17:4? What is the work that King Jesus has given us to do as His Body & Bride (Matt 28:18-20; Acts 1:8; 2 Pet 3:11-12; 2 For 5:18-20; Eph 4:11-13; and Matt 6:9-10)? How are you personally involved in the ministries of discipleship, evangelism, church unity, relational reconciliation, the edification of the church, and personal & group prayer? In what areas might we be struggling individually and corporately? (E.g. James 1:26; 5:9, 16; Heb 13:17)? Why is "Looking to Heaven" always the first, best, and only solution?
6. Read Matt 5:23-24; Eph 4:26-27; Pr 17:14; Heb 12:15; Pr 6:2-5; Gen 4:7. If bitterness and discontent are festering in one's heart toward a brother or sister in Christ, we are obligated by God's Word to go to that person directly to communicate our grievance(s) with gentleness and respect. The biblical model for unity begins with "looking to heaven" Visit gracekonoa.org/prayer and scroll down to "Biblical Conflict Resolution & Reconciliation" to see how you can edify the church in unity rather than division.

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

- Team **Sunday** is in need of the following volunteers:

New Sound Board Technicians- training available

Musicians

Computer techs to run the slides on Sunday morning worship

Technicians to help set up equipment and screens for Sunday worship

- Children's Church - We need help teaching our keiki about Jesus on Sunday mornings

If you can help with any of these service opportunities, please see Bill Quinlan or contact him at quinlan7bill@yahoo.com, you may also contact the church office at office@gracekona.org. We really appreciate your help spreading the good news of our Lord Jesus through these service opportunities!