

The Oaks Community Church
Worship Guide



March 5, 2023

I. Worship, Praise, & Thanksgiving

“Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes in me will also do the works that I do; and greater works than these will he do, because I am going to the Father. Whatever you ask in my name, this I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If you ask me anything in my name, I will do it.” John 14:12-14 (ESV)

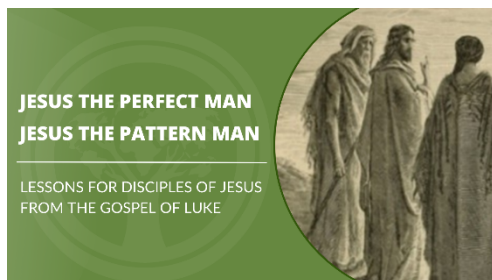
II. Family Confession & Greeting

Promise #3 About the Gift of Salvation

The Gift of Salvation erases our past and gives us a brand new life.

“This means that anyone who belongs to Christ has become a new person. The old life is gone; a new life has begun!”
II Corinthians 5:17

“Humans can reproduce only human life, but the Holy Spirit gives birth to spiritual life. So don’t be surprised when I say, ‘you must be born again.’”
John 3:6-7



“The Great Reversal”

Luke 13:22-30

Pastor Gary Barber

A bystander said, “Master, will only a few be saved?” He said, “Whether few or many is none of your business. Put your mind on your life with God. The way to life—to God!—is vigorous and requires your total attention. A lot of you are going to assume that you’ll sit down to God’s salvation banquet just because you’ve been hanging around the neighborhood all your lives. Well, one day you’re going to be banging on the door, wanting to get in, but you’ll find the door locked and the Master saying, ‘Sorry, you’re not on my guest list.’ “You’ll protest, ‘But we’ve known you all our lives!’ only to be interrupted with his abrupt, ‘Your kind of knowing can hardly be called knowing. You don’t know the first thing about me.’ “That’s when you’ll find yourselves out in the cold, strangers to grace. You’ll watch Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, and all the prophets march into God’s kingdom. You’ll watch outsiders stream in from east, west, north, and south and sit down at the table of God’s kingdom. And all the time you’ll be outside looking in—and wondering what happened. This is the Great Reversal: the last in line put at the head of the line, and the so-called first ending up last.”

Luke 13:23-40 (MSG)

- ❖ Are you a universalist?

- ❖ Are there many ways to Heaven?

- ❖ What did Jesus teach about these important topics?

“Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father except through Me.”

John 14:6 (NASB)

- ❖ The Big Surprise in The Kingdom of God

After this I looked, and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and before the Lamb. They were wearing white robes and were holding palm branches in their hands. And they cried out in a loud voice: “Salvation belongs to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb.”

Revelation 7:9, 10 (NIV)

“Enter through the narrow gate. For wide is the gate and broad and easy to travel is the path that leads the way to destruction and eternal loss, and there are many who enter through it. But small is the gate and narrow and difficult to travel is the path that leads the way to [everlasting] life, and there are few who find it.”

Matthew 7:13, 14 (AMP)

For it is [not your strength, but it is] God who is effectively at work in you, both to will and to work [that is, strengthening, energizing, and creating in you the longing and the ability to fulfill your purpose] for His good pleasure.

Philippians 2:13 (AMP)

❖ Sharing Family Communion

But if we walk in the light, as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, His Son, purifies us from all sin. If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.”
I John 1:7-9 (NIV)

IV. Worshipping God through Our Offerings

Stewardship Principle #3

The wise person saves. The foolish person spends everything.

""The wise man saves for the future, but the foolish man spends whatever he gets."

Proverbs 21:20 (TLB)

3 Ways to Give:

1. Online at www.theoaksweb.com or download our app (The Oaks Bakersfield)
2. Mail Check/Drop Off Cash to: 10200 Campus Park Drive, Bakersfield, CA 93311
3. In person through the worship service offering or using the offering boxes

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Text us to let us know that you are here today or with any prayer request that you have: 661-241-3408