

The Oaks Community Church
Worship Guide



May 7, 2023

I. Worship, Praise, & Thanksgiving

"I the Lord do not change."

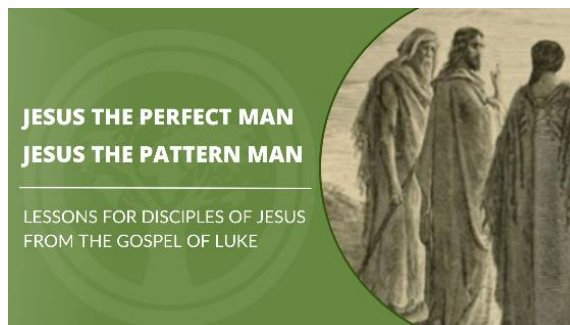
Malachi 6:1a (NIV)

II. Family Confession & Greeting

The Oaks Priority #5

We are an international church. We emphasize God's love and plan to reach every nation, tribe, and tongue and incorporate all people groups into His church.

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)



Are you ready? Forgiveness, Faith & Faithfulness

Luke 17:1-10

Pastor Jose L. Doniz – Sunday 5/7/23

Overview:

V1-4: Deal with the **trust** we must have **in the community of faith/church**.

V5-6: Deal with **personal faith**.

V7-10: Deal with our **faithfulness to God**.

"¹ One day Jesus said to his disciples, "There will always be temptations to sin, but what sorrow awaits the person who does the tempting! ² It would be better to be thrown into the sea with a millstone hung around your neck than to cause one of these little ones to fall into sin. ³ So watch yourselves!" **Luke 17:1-3a NLT**

- Your **3 enemies**: Your flesh, the world and Satan... will always be there.

“Therefore, take up the full armor of God, so that you will be able to resist on the evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm.” **Ephesians 6:13**

“If another believer sins, rebuke that person; then if there is repentance, forgive. 4 Even if that person wrongs you seven times a day and each time turns again and asks forgiveness, you must forgive.” **Luke 3b-4 NLT**

Sin is a **community problem**.

- “Why do you look at the speck of sawdust in your brother’s eye and pay no attention to the plank in your own eye?” **Matthew 7:3**
- “but as he who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct” **1 Peter 1:15**

⁵ *The apostles said to the Lord, “Show us how to increase our faith.”* ⁶ *The Lord answered, “If you had faith even as small as a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, ‘May you be uprooted and be planted in the sea,’ and it would obey you!* **Luke 5-6 NLT**

Faith is the **essential key** that unlocks the power of God.

“Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see” **Hebrews 11:1 NLT**

“Faith is Believing that it is so... even when it doesn’t seem so... just because God says so” - **Dr. Tony Evans**

⁷ *“When a servant comes in from plowing or taking care of sheep, does his master say, ‘Come in and eat with me’?”* ⁸ *No, he says, ‘Prepare my meal, put on your apron, and serve me while I eat. Then you can eat later.’* ⁹ *And does the master thank the servant for doing what he was told to do? Of course not.* ¹⁰ *In the same way, when you obey me you should say, ‘We are unworthy servants who have simply done our duty.’”* **Luke 7-10 NLT**

- The story emphasizes **faithfulness to duty no matter what the demands might be**.

“For who is the greater, one who reclines at table or one who serves? Is it not the one who reclines at table? But I am among you as the one who serves.” **Luke 22:27**

- Everything you go through has a purpose!... **A good... good purpose.**
- **God is showing you off to the unbelieving world!**

- **Are you ready NOW?**
- **Are you willing to be ready NOW?**

❖ **Sharing Family Communion**

IV. Worshipping God through Our Offerings

Stewardship Principle #4

In addition to God's tithe, we give offerings to spread Christ's gospel.

As you know, you Philippians were the only ones who gave me financial help when I first brought you the Good News and then traveled on from Macedonia.... And this same God who takes care of me will supply all your needs from His glorious riches, which have been given to us in Christ Jesus.

Philippians 4:15, 19 (NLT)

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