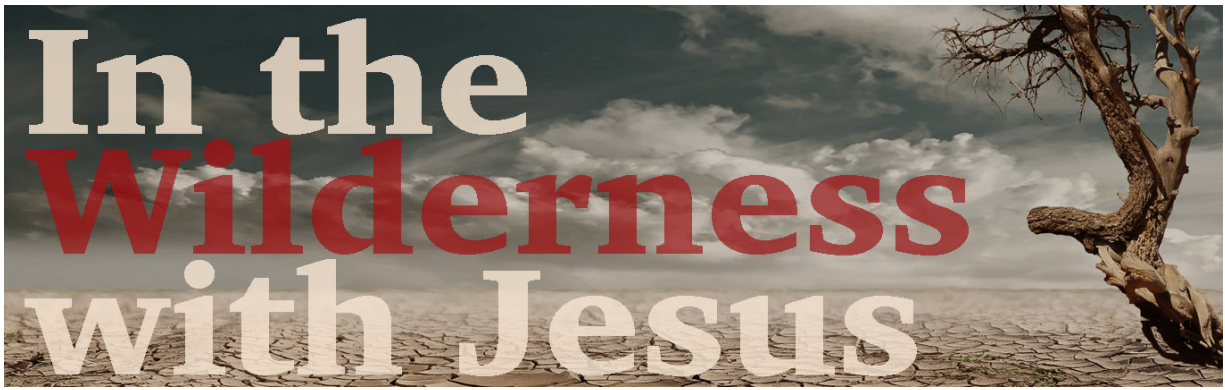


Sunday 3/11 - Saturday 3/17



In the Wilderness with Jesus

8 Things to Do with Evil

by: Elder Neal Bamesberger

Warm-Ups (15 min)

If your group has more than 7 people, you're encouraged to split into men's and women's groups for "Warm Ups". Also, it often works better to go around the circle three times instead of each person having to answer all three questions at once.

1. Share a high and a low from your week.
2. If you have siblings what order were you born, was that an advantage or not?
3. Which of the jobs in your career did you like the best and why.
4. Did you have a God moment this week?

Large Group Prayer (10 min)

Take turns praying (1) Thanksgivings, (2) for each other's needs, and (3) for our community. **Click here** (</index.php/component/content/?id=181&Itemid=1627>) for creative ideas on how to pray as a group.

1. Pray for individual needs, things we are thankful for, and our community.
2. Pray for Pastor Andrew Farhat as their family moves to Denver.
3. Pray for Pastor AJ and the start-up team as they continue to prepare the Renewal Church property and the community around Renewal Church that they hear the Gospel when it is presented to them.
4. Pray for safety for the construction people at Renewal that the building process would go well.

Study Questions (35 min)

About the Sermon

Read Ephesians 6:10-18

1. This passage describes the armor of God, does it help you understand the power we have by visualizing putting it on?
2. What does it mean by saying our struggle is not against flesh and blood?
3. How does the shield of faith extinguish the flaming arrows of the devil?

A Deeper Look

Read Zechariah 3:1-4

1. From this passage, do we have the right and power to use the name of Jesus to rebuke the devil and any evil spirits?
2. Explore these verses about the name of the Lord:
 - a. YHWH-Yireh — "The Lord will provide" (Genesis 22:13-14 (<http://www.mechonmamre.org/p/pt/pt0122.htm#13>))
 - b. YHWH-Rapha — "The Lord that healeth" (Exodus 15:26 (<http://www.mechonmamre.org/p/pt/pt0215.htm#26>))
 - c. YHWH-Niss"i — "The Lord our Banner" (Exodus 17:8-15 (<http://www.mechonmamre.org/p/pt/pt0217.htm#8>))
 - d. YHWH-Shalom — "The Lord our Peace" (Judges 6:24 (<http://www.mechonmamre.org/p/pt/pt0706.htm#24>))
 - e. YHWH-Ra-ah — "The Lord my Shepherd" (Psalm 23:1 (<http://www.mechonmamre.org/p/pt/pt2623.htm#1>))
 - f. YHWH-Tsidkenu — "The Lord our Righteousness" (Jeremiah 23:6 (<http://www.mechonmamre.org/p/pt/pt1123.htm#6>))
 - g. YHWH-Shammah — "The Lord is present" (Ezekiel 48:35 (<http://www.mechonmamre.org/p/pt/pt1248.htm#35>))
 - i. What images come to mind as you read these?
 - ii. Discuss how these Names of Jesus affect how you see Him.
3. Explore these verses: John. 6:53-57, Hebrews 2:14-15, 9:11-19, 10:19-22, Revelation 12:11:
 - a. What are some of the powers in the blood of Jesus?
 - b. What are the benefits of the blood of Jesus?

Life Application

1. How do you personally deal with temptation?
2. What tools are available to us when we are experiencing spiritual attacks?
3. Why is advance preparation helpful for spiritual attack?
 - a. Name some things we can do to be prepared for temptation/spiritual attacks.
 - b. Name some things we can do during temptation/spiritual attacks.

Discipleship Trios (25 min) The goal is to have intentional time to share your journey with

others. **Break into same-gender groups of three and move to separate spaces.** If numbers necessitate flexibility, form groups of 2 instead.

- *Review the listener commitments* (/images/LIFEGroup_Documents/Study%20Support%20Downloads/listener_commitments.pdf) if you haven't done so in a while.
- *The goal is not to pressure others into sharing more than they want to, or to give unsolicited advice, but to ask others how God is stretching them, be challenged by God's Word together, ask what others are planning to do about their growth areas, and ask how you can support them!*

Share Your Journey: What have you heard from God through your Life Journal / Bible readings this week?
What's an area of your life in which you know you need to repent and/or grow?

- *If you need additional accountability questions, try pulling from this list (/images/LIFEGroup_Documents/Study%20Support%20Downloads/20170521_Accountability_Qs.pdf) or the accountability questions in this doc (<http://toddengstrom.com/wp-content/uploads/2013/03/LTG-Overview-Formatted.pdf>) in order to spark reflection and discussion.*
- *When you hear a confession, you're encouraged to speak God's forgiveness!*
- *If you feel one of your group members is blind to something, (1) think about whether or not you're the right person to bring it up, (2) ask permission to share something, (3) phrase it as a question.*

Discipleship Trio Prayer Time

- Share: How do you see the Lord speaking to you in the last few weeks? What is he saying?
- Share your victories and struggles these last few weeks and pray for each other.
- Where do see the Lord working in the life of others especially a non-Christian and how could you come alongside them?
- Pray for each other.

Optional Worship Song (+5 min)

1. If you'd like, you can sing a worship song as a group. Don't have a musician? Sing along to a lyric video: [SJDenver.org/Songs \(/songs\)](http://SJDenver.org/Songs (/songs))
 - a. *Advent/Christmas songs can be found at [SJDenver.org/ChristmasSongs \(/christmassongs\)](http://SJDenver.org/ChristmasSongs (/christmassongs))*

Serve Our City

1. Has your group planned an opportunity to serve our city for this semester? [Click Here](#) for a list of Service Ideas! (</images/Serve.pdf>)

Feedback

1. Was there a glitch in today's material? Want to request a song? Do you have a suggestion? [Click Here!](#) (<http://goo.gl/forms/FQVVxQgpAQ>)