

Welcome to Faith

May 7, 2023

Prayer Requests

Howard Clements

Church Family Night

Join us tonight at 5pm at Faith East for Church Family Night. New member/update photos will be in Jeremy Vegter's office from 4:15-4:45pm.

Men of Faith

The Men of Faith end of season lunch event will be held at the Buono farm (1418 N. 900 E. Lafayette), on May 13 at 11am. We will have shooting competitions, wood splitting and fire making events, and a testimony about men discipling men. Plan to join us and bring a friend.

Caleb's Kin

Senior adults - Join us on Wednesday, May 17 as we travel to the Hardy Reindeer Ranch in Rantoul, IL for the reindeer experience tour, buggy ride farm tour (weather permitting), and a Branson-style dinner show. Cost is \$55 (nonrefundable) plus \$3 for gas if riding the bus. The buses will leave from the South end of the Faith East Community Center's parking lot by SR 26 at 9:30am and return around 5pm. Contact Chris Blankenship to reserve your spot: 765-430-4422.

Children's Ministry

2^{YR} - 5TH grade

Pastor Trey and his friends will be uploading encouraging videos at faithlafayette.org/kidsvids.

You can find this week's online children's Sunday School lesson at blogs.faithlafayette.org/faithkids. You can use the ideas below to discuss the lesson as a family.

JESUS CALMS THE STORM AND CAST OUT DEMONS

READ: Matthew 8:18, 23-34

ASK YOUR CHILD:

- What does Christ's calming of the storm reveal about Him? Jesus is Master of the natural world.
- What does Christ's healing of the demon-possessed man reveal? Jesus is Master of the supernatural world.

EMPHASIZE THIS PRINCIPLE: Jesus is Master over everything that exists. Therefore, we should submit our lives to Him.

PRACTICE:

- Praise Jesus for His power.
- Trust in Jesus's care for you.
- Obey Jesus as Lord.

PREPARE FOR NEXT WEEK: Matthew 9:1-8

MEMORIZE FOR APR 30-MAY 28: "If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. **If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins** and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. **1 John 1:8-9 (ESV)***

*Preschool verse in bold

Last Week's Offering - \$72,234.62
Weekly Budget - \$74,195
Last Week Sunday Worship - 1,926

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Hope in Everyday Suffering Shepherding While Suffering

1 Peter 5:1-5

1 Peter 4:12-19 - Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal among you, which comes upon you for your testing, as though some strange thing were happening to you; but to the degree that you share the sufferings of Christ, keep on rejoicing, so that also at the revelation of His glory you may rejoice with exultation. If you are reviled for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the Spirit of glory and of God rests on you. Make sure that none of you suffers as a murderer, or thief, or evildoer, or a troublesome meddler; but if anyone suffers as a Christian, he is not to be ashamed, but is to glorify God in this name. For it is time for judgment to begin with the household of God; and if it begins with us first, what will be the outcome for those who do not obey the gospel of God? And if it is with difficulty that the righteous is saved, what will become of the godless man and the sinner? Therefore, those also who suffer according to the will of God shall entrust their souls to a faithful Creator in doing what is right.

3 ways the pastor serves the church through suffering

I. God Has Called Pastors to Lead the _____

A. Bearing witness to the _____ of Jesus

1 Peter 2:21-24 - For you have been called for this purpose, since Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example for you to follow in His steps, who committed no sin, nor was any deceit found in His mouth; and while being reviled, He did not revile in return; while suffering, He uttered no threats, but kept entrusting Himself to Him who judges righteously; and He Himself bore our sins in His body on the cross, so that we might die to sin and live to righteousness; for by His wounds you were healed.

1 Peter 4:1-2 - Therefore, since Christ has suffered in the flesh, arm yourselves also with the same purpose, because he who has suffered in the flesh has ceased from sin, so as to live the rest of the time in the flesh no longer for the lusts of men, but for the will of God.

Luke 24:45-48 - Then He opened their minds to understand the Scriptures, and He said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Christ would suffer and rise again from the dead the third day, and that repentance for forgiveness of sins would be proclaimed in His name to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things."

B. Keeping their focus on the coming _____ of Jesus

Matthew 24:30-31 - And then the sign of the Son of Man will appear in the sky, and then all the tribes of the earth will mourn, and they will see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of the sky with power and great glory. And He will send forth His angels with a great trumpet and they will gather together His elect from the four winds, from one end of the sky to the other.

Matthew 25:31 - But when the Son of Man comes in His glory, and all the angels with Him, then He will sit on His glorious throne.

1 Peter 1:13 - Therefore, prepare your minds for action, keep sober in spirit, fix your hope completely on the grace to be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ.

II. God Has called Pastors to Lead like a _____

John 21:15-17 - So when they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon, son of John, do you love Me more than these?" He said to Him, "Yes, Lord; You know that I love You." He said to him, "Tend My lambs." He said to him again a second time, "Simon, son of John, do you love Me?" He said to Him, "Yes, Lord; You know that I love You." He said to him, "Shepherd My sheep." He said to him the third time, "Simon, son of John, do you love Me?" Peter was grieved because He said to him the third time, "Do you love Me?" And he said to Him, "Lord, You know all things; You know that I love You." Jesus said to him, "Tend My sheep"

A. Not out of a sense of duty, but with genuine _____

1 Peter 5:2b - ...exercising oversight not under compulsion, but voluntarily...

B. Not to gain temporary possessions, but with eager _____

1 Peter 5:2c - ...not for sordid gain, but with eagerness...

C. Not to control others, but to demonstrate proper _____

1 Peter 5:3 - Nor yet as lording it over those allotted to your charge but proving to be examples to the flock.

III. God Has Called Pastors to Lead with Eternity in _____

A. Knowing the Chief Shepherd will _____

1 Peter 5:4 - And when the Chief Shepherd appears...

James 3:1 - Let not many of you become teachers, my brethren, knowing that as such we will incur a stricter judgment.

B. Living to obtain an eternal _____

1 Peter 5:4 - ...you will receive the unfading crown of glory.

C. _____ others to live in humility

1 Peter 5:5 - You younger men, likewise, be subject to your elders; and all of you, clothe yourselves with humility toward one another, for God is opposed to the proud, but gives grace to the humble.

James 4:6 - But He gives a greater grace. Therefore it says, "God is opposed to the proud, but gives grace to the humble."