

TAKE HOME SHEET



Series: Kingdom Matters
Message: Blessed are the Intercessors
Speaker: Rusty Coram
Date: March 2/3, 2019

As we have worked our way through Jesus' teaching in this series, it has become clear that once we accept His invitation to join His Kingdom, we now have new lives with new responsibilities and privileges. God has assigned to us the awesome task of showing others what we have discovered. Below are some passages to carefully read and consider so we can be certain we are doing what will honor our God and help others.

*¹⁸ And all of this is a gift from God, who brought us back to himself through Christ. And God has given us this task of reconciling people to him.
¹⁹ For God was in Christ, reconciling the world to himself, no longer counting people's sins against them. And he gave us this wonderful message of reconciliation. ²⁰ So we are Christ's ambassadors; God is making his appeal through us. We speak for Christ when we plead, "Come back to God!" ²¹ For God made Christ, who never sinned, to be the offering for our sin, so that we could be made right with God through Christ.*

2 Corinthians 5:18-21 (NLT)

¹ I urge you, first of all, to pray for all people. Ask God to help them; intercede on their behalf, and give thanks for them. ² Pray this way for kings and all who are in authority so that we can live peaceful and quiet lives marked by godliness and dignity. ³ This is good and pleases God our Savior, ⁴ who wants everyone to be saved and to understand the truth. ⁵ For there is only one God and one Mediator who can reconcile God and humanity—the man Christ Jesus. ⁶ He gave his life to purchase freedom for everyone. This is the message God gave to the world at just the right time.

Timothy 2:1-6 (NLT)

I will pray for the following people, that God will help them see the love, forgiveness and peace that only He offers:

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I will also ask God to show me how I can be used by Him to be an example and help them as a "peace maker".

...let your good deeds shine out for all to see, so that everyone will praise your heavenly Father.
Matthew 5:16 (NLT)

MESSAGE NOTES



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¹ One day as he saw the crowds gathering, Jesus went up on the mountainside and sat down. His disciples gathered around him, ² and he began to teach them. ³ “God blesses those who are poor and realize their need for him, for the Kingdom of Heaven is theirs. ⁴ God blesses those who mourn, for they will be comforted. ⁵ God blesses those who are humble, for they will inherit the whole earth. ⁶ God blesses those who hunger and thirst for justice, for they will be satisfied. ⁷ God blesses those who are merciful, for they will be shown mercy. ⁸ God blesses those whose hearts are pure, for they will see God. ⁹ God blesses those who work for peace, for they will be called the children of God. ¹⁰ God blesses those who are persecuted for doing right, for the Kingdom of Heaven is theirs. ¹¹ God blesses you when people mock you and persecute you and lie about you and say all sorts of evil things against you because you are my followers. ¹² Be happy about it! Be very glad! For a great reward awaits you in heaven. And remember, the ancient prophets were persecuted in the same way.”

Matthew 5:1-12 (NLT)

peace (def) harmony, reconciled, end of hostility

There are two requirements to experiencing the happiness that God promises here:

1. Receiving the gift of peace God offers.

¹³ But now you have been united with Christ Jesus. Once you were far away from God, but now you have been brought near to him through the blood of Christ. ¹⁴ For Christ himself has brought peace to us.

Ephesians 2:13-14 (NLT)

Therefore, since we have been made right in God’s sight by faith, we have peace with God because of what Jesus Christ our Lord has done for us.

Romans 5:1 (NLT)

2. Sharing with others how to receive it, too.

We do this just like Jesus, by our example...

Do all that you can to live in peace with everyone.

Romans 12:18 (NLT)

and our invitation.

We are Christ’s ambassadors. God is using us to speak to you: we beg you, as though Christ himself were here pleading with you, receive the love he offers you—be reconciled to God.

2 Corinthians 5:20 (TLB)

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BIBLE TRANSLATIONS:

NLT – New Living Translation

TLB – The Living Bible



Jesus was no stranger to politics, power struggles or jockeying for authority. He knew how the world operated and how the quest for control corrupted people and institutions. In the midst of the struggle, Jesus offered an alternative – the gift of an invitation to a new kingdom. All who accepted would discover a ruler devoted to his citizens, who would never mistreat or abandon them. That invitation is still open to us. This kingdom has a very different set of beliefs, values and behaviors that in many ways seem upside down. In this series, we will study what Jesus tells us about His kingdom and how His followers live. ***This week: Blessed are Intercessors.***

FIRST TIME GUESTS We promise we're not going to make you stand up in front of everyone or track you down, but we'd love to know you were here today! Simply fill out your communication card in the seat back in front of you and check the "First Time Guest" box. On your way out, stop by Guest Services at the front doors and get your FREE welcome gift. **We're glad you are here!**

**WE'RE
SO GLAD
YOU JOINED
US TODAY!**

We're honored when people choose to do church with us. New Hope is for anyone who wants to seek God - from those exploring if God even exists, to devoted Christ-followers. Wherever you are, you'll find we are committed to showing the love of Jesus and helping people establish a relationship with Him. We are casual, laid-back, and far from perfect. **ALL are welcome!**

We have two new small groups starting up soon. Maybe it's time to find your people?



MEN: OPPORTUNITY ALERT! Do you ever wonder why you are here? Do you wonder if there is more to life than you are currently experiencing?

Join other New Hope men in a small group to walk through the *Authentic Manhood - 33 Series*. This 36-week, DVD based study with workbook will help you to understand how you can live the life God created you for ...a life of truth, passion, and purpose! There are six main topics:

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| 1. A Man and His Design | 4. A Man and His Work |
| 2. A Man and His History | 5. A Man and his Marriage. |
| 3. A Man and His Traps | 6. A Man and His Fatherhood. |

Make time for God and He will show up! You can contact Russ Wolfe at russ.wolfe@mtsi-va.com to sign up or get more information. The group will meet on Monday nights at 7:30pm in Lorton. The first meeting will be on Monday, March 4th.

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A NEW WOMEN'S SMALL GROUP is starting Wednesday, April 10th at 7:00 pm in Lorton. This group is for single/divorced/widowed women in their 50s and 60s, who are "empty nesters" and/or no kids, looking to make connections with other women going through the same life experiences. They will begin with an eight-session, video-based study called, *Community*. You'll learn why your unique story matters to God and to the people you do life with. Contact Carol Ann at carolann.gregoire@newhope.org to sign up or get more information.

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Looking for a different group? Email smallgroups@newhope.org

Parent/Child Dedication



Our spring Parent/Child Dedication will be on Saturday, March 23rd at 10 am. Please stop by the children's check-in counter or Guest Services to pick up the Parent Booklet. We'll have Parent Information Meetings after each service this weekend in the auditorium. For more information or to sign up, please email PCD@newhope.org.

SAVE *the* DATE

Details on these events coming soon!



**Men's Ministry Breakfast
Saturday, March 30th**



**HER Ministry Project
Opportunity Easter Baskets
Wednesday, April 10th**



**Bike Collection for
NicaBikes in Nicaragua
April 27/28th**

We ♥ Our Volunteers

This week, we recognize one of our newer volunteers - **Diana Dowd**. Diana signed up at our Fall Ministry Fair and brought a very full heart for serving. She volunteers on both our Greeter/Usher Team and Guest Services Team. She welcomes our guests with her cheerful smile. We know YOU know Diana because she serves more weekends than not! **Thank you, Diana, for having such a positive impact on us!** If you'd like to serve on one of our teams, please send an email to Carol Ann at carolann.gregoire@newhope.org and she will help you get connected.

COME SEE WHAT'S NEW IN **the SPOT**

WHEN:
WHERE:
WHO:
TIME:
WHY:

THIS SUNDAY!
UPSTAIRS LEFT BALCONY
6TH - 12TH GRADERS
10:30 - 11:05

WE HAVE A NEW AND IMPROVED SPOT JUST FOR YOU! WE HAVE MORE SPACE, NEW GAMES, NEW TIMES, AN INFORMATION CENTER...AND OF COURSE, FOOD! WHEN THE SPOT CLOSES AFTER THE 1ST WORSHIP SONG, YOU WILL GO WORSHIP WITH YOUR PARENTS OR FRIENDS YOU MEET.

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