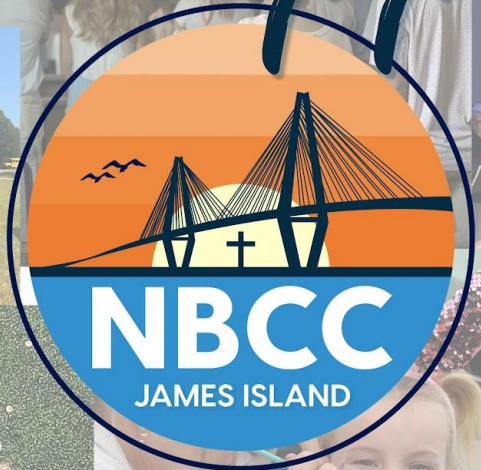


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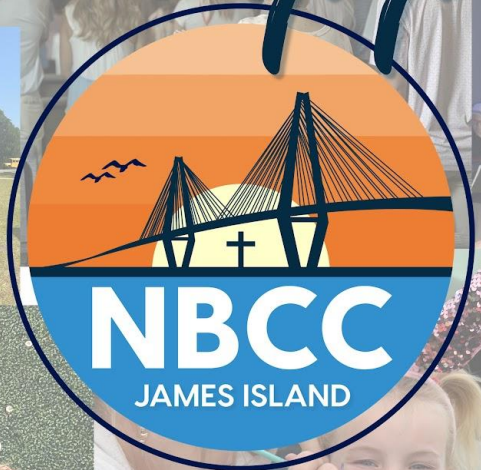
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Jesus spoke over and over about 'life'.

Jesus told him,
“I am the way, the truth, and the life.
No one can come to the Father except
through me.”

John 14:6

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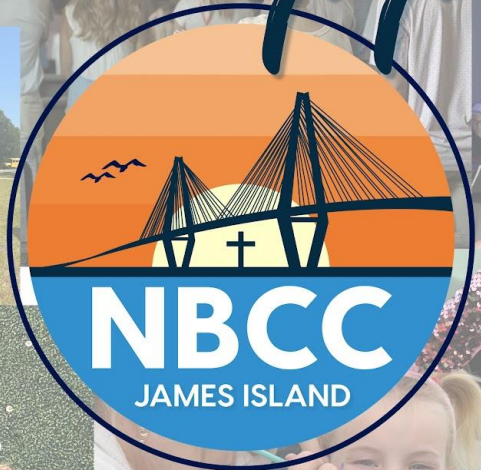
- We believe that 'Real Life' happens in a growing relationship with Jesus.
- As a church we want our family, friends, and neighbors to experience 'Real Life'.

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NBCC's Five Rocks

- #1 - Grace is the Law around here

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- #2 - _____ Matter Most to
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- #2 - The Unchurched Matter Most to God

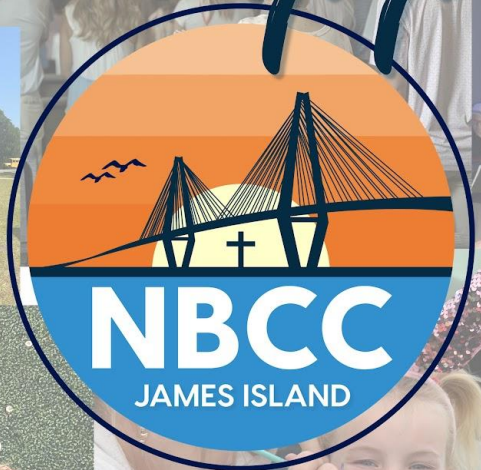
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Nothing should matter more to a believer -
than reaching those who do not believe.

Tax collectors and other notorious sinners often came to listen to Jesus teach.

This made the Pharisees and teachers of religious law complain that he was associating with such sinful people - even eating with them!

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So Jesus told them this story:

If a man has a hundred sheep and one of them gets lost, what will he do? Won't he leave the ninety-nine others in the wilderness and go to search for the one that is lost until he finds it?

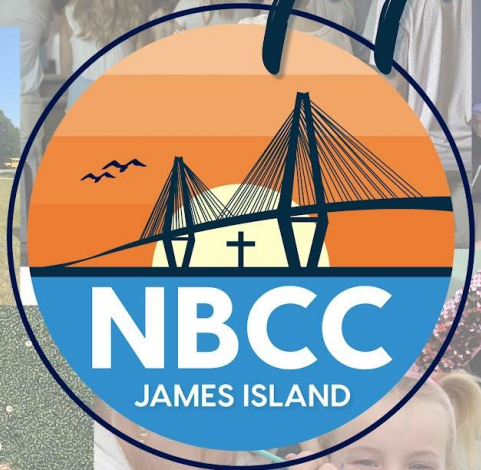
And when he has found it, he will joyfully carry it home on his shoulders.

When he arrives, he will call together his friends and neighbors, saying, 'Rejoice with me because I have found my lost sheep.'

In the same way, there is more joy in heaven over one lost sinner who repents and returns to God than over ninety-nine others who are righteous and haven't strayed away!

Luke 15:7

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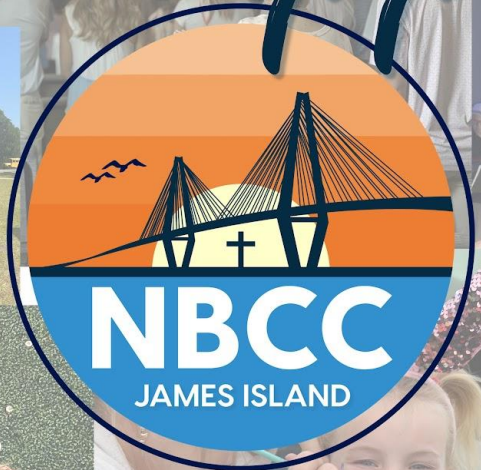


Or suppose a woman has ten silver coins and loses one. Won't she light a lamp and sweep the entire house and search carefully until she finds it?

And when she finds it, she will call in her friends and neighbors and say, 'Rejoice with me because I have found my lost coin.'

In the same way, there is joy in the presence of God's angels when even one sinner repents.

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To illustrate the point further, Jesus told them this story:

Luke 15:11

“A man had two sons. The younger son told his father, ‘I want my share of your estate now before you die.’ So his father agreed to divide his wealth between his sons.

A few days later this younger son packed all his belongings and moved to a distant land, and there he wasted all his money in wild living. About the time his money ran out, a great famine swept over the land, and he began to starve.

He persuaded a local farmer to hire him, and the man sent him into his fields to feed the pigs. The young man became so hungry that even the pods he was feeding the pigs looked good to him. But no one gave him anything.

When he finally came to his senses, he said to himself, 'At home even the hired servants have food enough to spare, and here I am dying of hunger!

Luke 15:17

I will go home to my father and say,
“Father, I have sinned against both heaven
and you, and I am no longer worthy of
being called your son. Please take me on
as a hired servant.’

So he returned home to his father. And while he was still a long way off, his father saw him coming. Filled with love and compassion, he ran to his son, embraced him, and kissed him.

Luke 15:20

His son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against both heaven and you, and I am no longer worthy of being called your son.'

Luke 15:21

But his father said to the servants, 'Quick! Bring the finest robe in the house and put it on him. Get a ring for his finger and sandals for his feet. And kill the calf we have been fattening.'

We must celebrate with a feast, for this son of mine was dead and has now returned to life. He was lost, but now he is found.'

So the party began.

Meanwhile, the older son was in the fields working. When he returned home, he heard music and dancing in the house, and asked one of the servants what was going on.

‘Your brother is back,’ he was told, ‘and your father has killed the fattened calf. We are celebrating because of his safe return.’

Luke 15:27

The older brother was angry and wouldn't go in. His father came out and begged him, but he replied, 'All these years I've slaved for you and never once refused to do a single thing you told me to. And in all that time you never even gave me one young goat for a feast with my friends.'

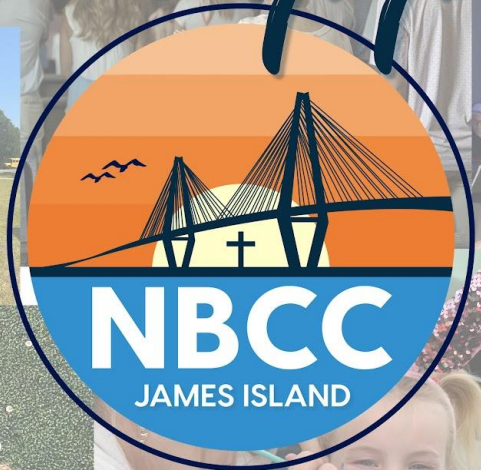
Luke 15:28 - 29

Yet when this son of yours comes back from squandering your money on prostitutes, you celebrate by killing the fattened calf!

Luke 15:30

His father said to him, 'Look, dear son, you have always stayed by me, and everything I have is yours. We had to celebrate this happy day. For your brother was dead and has come back to life. He was lost and now he is found!'

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- #2 - The Unchurched Matter Most to God

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Where does that leave us as a church?

We want to be a church you can confidently invite a friend who doesn't go to church.

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Where does that leave you?

Jesus called out to them,

“Come, follow me, and I will show you how
to fish for people!”

Matthew 4:19

“Go and make disciples of all nations..”

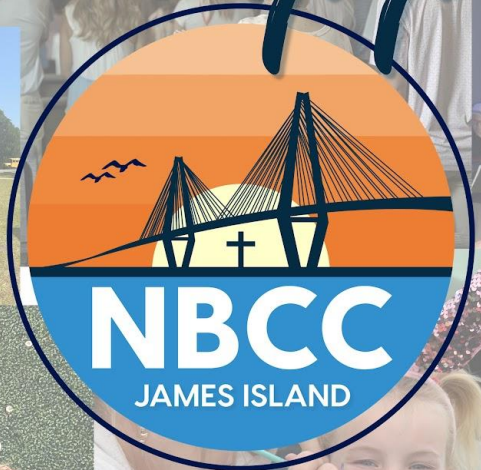
“You will be my witnesses, telling people about me everywhere..”

Matthew 28:19 & Acts 1:8

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- Invite
- Serve
- Give

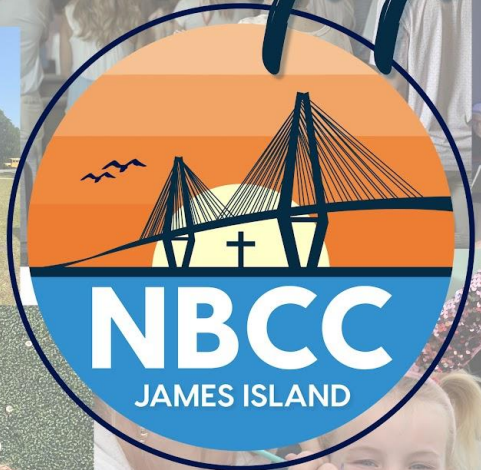
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Can you imagine?

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