

Welcome to Faith

July 18, 2021

Prayer Requests

RECENT DEATHS

Gayle Lee's father
Margaret Green's brother
Amber Mattes's grandmother

RECENT & UPCOMING SURGERIES

Beth DeYoung

OTHER NEEDS

Abel & Sonia DeLeon
Civil unrest in Haiti, Cuba, South Africa, and Ethiopia

Faith Christian School

Faith Christian School and Preschools seek to inspire children's lifelong pursuit of Jesus Christ through a personal and encompassing learning environment. We are still enrolling for the 2021-22 school year, though several K-12 grades are filling up. For K-12 admissions information, contact Paul Breuninger (pbreuninger@faithlafayette.org). Please contact Kari Schwartz for Faith East Preschool (kschwartz@faithlafayette.org) or Amanda Smith for Faith West Preschool (asmith@faithlafayette.org). Several part-time staff or teaching positions are also available in our preschools.

Church Email List

Each Friday, the church office sends a preview of the upcoming Sunday message and bulletin. This email includes Faith Prayer, Celebrating Our Victories, and General Faith Church Communication. If you'd like to subscribe to our email list, please email faith@faithlafayette.org.

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' DEATH AND RESURRECTION

READ: MATTHEW 27:27-28:20

ASK YOUR CHILD:

- Why was the death of Jesus important? *Through His death, Jesus made full payment for the sins of humanity.*
- Why was the resurrection of Christ important? *Jesus' resurrection proved that He had defeated sin and death.*

EMPHASIZE THIS PRINCIPLE: Jesus died for our sins and rose from the dead. Therefore, we should rejoice and embrace Him as Lord.

PRACTICE:

- Praise God for Christ's sacrifice.
- Follow Jesus as Lord.

PREPARE FOR NEXT WEEK: ACTS 1:1-11; 2:1-47

MEMORIZE FOR JULY 4-18: "For even **the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve**, and to give His life a ransom for many. **Mark 10:45***

* Preschool verse in bold

4:TWELVE

6TH - 12TH grade



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Enjoying Life in His Name
By Beholding Jesus' Light In the Hour of Deepest Darkness
John 13:21-38

John 13:1 - Now before the Feast of the Passover, Jesus knowing that His hour had come that He would depart out of this world to the Father, having loved His own who were in the world, He loved them to the end.

3 aspects of Jesus' brilliant light, in His hour of deepest darkness, that forever defines love

I. A Love That Loves _____—Including Enemies—to the End (vv. 21-30)

- A. "Troubled in Spirit"—grief over Judas
- B. "Give this morsel"—returning good for evil regarding Judas

"It is more consistent with the picture of Jesus in this Gospel...to think of this 'sop' (morsel) as a final gesture of supreme love (cf. v. 1). 'And that final act of love becomes, with a terrible immediacy, the decisive movement of judgment. At this moment we are witnessing the climax of that action of sifting, of separation, of judgment which has been the central theme in John's account of the public ministry of Jesus ... (3:16–19). So the final gesture of affection precipitates the final surrender of Judas to the power of darkness. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has neither understood it nor mastered it.' (Newbigin, p. 173) Judas received the sop but not the love. Instead of breaking him and urging him to contrition, it hardened his resolve." (D. A. Carson, *The Gospel according to John, The Pillar New Testament Commentary*, 474–475)

II. A Love That Loves _____

- A. "Now is the Son of man glorified and God is glorified in Him" (v. 31)
- B. "Where I am going you cannot come" (v. 33)

"We don't go to heaven—to the Father—beside Jesus, assisting him; or behind Jesus, imitating him. We go to the Father through Jesus, depending on him. Where am I going this night that you cannot follow? I am going to die for you, and thus become the way to God. You can't follow now. Only I can do this. This is my work alone." (John Piper)

III. A Love That _____ (vv. 34-38)

Luke 9:54-56 - When His disciples James and John saw this, (that the Samaritans did not extend hospitality) they said, "Lord, do You want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?" But He turned and rebuked them, [and said, "You do not know what kind of spirit you are of; for the Son of Man did not come to destroy men's lives, but to save them."]

Note the impactful moment of these intimate moments with Jesus and the events of the cross on the one laying in Jesus' bosom who became the "apostle of love"

Impact #1—Jesus says, "Little children" John 13:33

John says:

- 1 John 2:1** - My little children, I am writing these things...
- 1 John 2:12** - I am writing to you, little children, because your sins have been forgiven you...
- 1 John 2:28** - Now, little children, abide in Him...
- 1 John 3:7** - Little children, make sure no one deceives you...
- 1 John 3:18** - Little children, let us not love with word or with tongue, but in deed and truth.
- 1 John 4:4** - You are from God, little children...
- 1 John 5:21** - Little children, guard yourselves from idols.

Impact #2—Jesus says, "A new commandment" John 13:34

John says:

- 1 John 2:7-12** - "New commandment - love"

Impact #3—Jesus says, "as I have loved you" John 13:34

John defines love in Jesus' words:

- 1 John 3:16** - We know love by this, that He laid down His life for us; and we ought to lay down our lives for the brethren.
- 1 John 4:10-11** - In this is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins. Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.
- 1 John 4:19** - We love because He first loved us.

- A. A "new commandment"—in what sense is loving one another a new commandment? Precisely "As I have loved you."
- B. From "Will you lay down your life for me?" to "You will follow later."

John 21:18-19 - "Truly, truly, I say to you (Peter), when you were younger, you used to gird yourself and walk wherever you wished; but when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands and someone else will gird you, and bring you where you do not wish to go." Now this He said, signifying by what kind of death he would glorify God. And when He had spoken this, He said to him, "Follow Me!"