



From Dying to Living

“Everything is meaningless”, says the Teacher, “completely meaningless!”
Ecclesiastes 1:2 NLT

Unless you assume a God, the question of life's purpose is meaningless.
Bertrand Russell, atheist

Ultimately, man should not ask what the meaning of his life is, but rather he must recognize that it is he who is asked
Viktor Frankl, psychologist

The Lord has made everything for his own purposes.
Proverbs 16:4, NLT

But we are citizens of heaven, where the Lord Jesus Christ lives. And we are eagerly awaiting for him to return as our Saviour.
Philippians 3:20, NLT

In his kindness God called you to share in his eternal glory by means of Christ Jesus. So after you have suffered a little while, he will restore, support, and strengthen you, and he will place you on a firm foundation.
1 Peter 5:10 - 11, NLT

order of worship

prelude

Leader: The Lord be with you
People: and also with you

call to worship from Psalm 19:7-9

Leader:
The law of the LORD is perfect, reviving the soul;
the testimony of the LORD is sure,
making wise the simple;
the precepts of the LORD are right,
rejoicing the heart;
the commandment of the LORD is pure,
enlightening the eyes;
the fear of the LORD is clean,
enduring forever;
the rules of the LORD are true,
and righteous altogether.

song of praise

My Life is in You
My life is in You Lord
My strength is in You Lord
My hope is in You Lord
In You it's in You
My life is in You Lord
My strength is in You Lord
My hope is in You Lord
In You it's in You

I will praise You
With all of my life
I will praise You
With all of my strength
With all of my life
With all of my strength
All of my hope is in You

welcome & update

prayer for the world, the church & the city

confession

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

private confession

assurance of pardon: John 15:10-11

If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full.

song of assurance

Build my Life

Worthy of ev'ry song we could ever sing
Worthy of all the praise we could ever bring
Worthy of ev'ry breath we could ever breathe
We live for You

Jesus the name above ev'ry other name
Jesus the only one who could ever save
Worthy of ev'ry breath we could ever breathe
We live for You
We live for You

Holy there is no one like You
There is none beside You
Open up my eyes in wonder and show me who You are
And fill me with Your heart
And lead me in Your love to those around me

I will build my life upon Your love
It is a firm foundation
I will put my trust in You alone
And I will not be shaken

tithes and offerings

doxology

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow
Praise Him all creatures here below
Praise Him above ye heavenly host
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

scripture reading : Ecclesiastes 13:11,

1 John 5:11- 12 , 1 Timothy 6:12 , Hebrews 12:1, 2 , Matthew 22:37-39

Reader: The Word of the Lord
People: Thanks be to God

God's Word Today Tony Lee

Sermon : From Dying to Living

Sermon Outline:

1. How do we define our lifespan?
2. What is the purpose and meaning for our lives?
3. Half-time: How do we finish well?

song of thanksgiving

You are my Vision

You are my vision O King of my heart
Nothing else satisfies only You Lord
You are my best thought by day or by night
Waking or sleeping Your presence my light

You are my wisdom You are my true word
I ever with You and You with me Lord
You're my great Father and I'm Your true son
You dwell inside me together we're one

I don't want riches or man's empty praise
You're my inheritance now and always
You and You only the first in my heart
High King of heaven my treasure You are

High King of heaven when victory's won
May I reach heaven's joy O bright heaven's Son
Heart of my own heart whatever befall
Still be my vision O Ruler of all

Benediction: 1 Timothy 6:12 - 14

Fight the good fight of the faith. Take hold of the eternal life to which you were called ... keep the commandment unstained and free from reproach until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ..

Peace

Minister: The Peace of the Lord be with you all
People: **And also with you**

Tithes up to December 31 2020

Yearly Budget	\$355,000
Budget Year to Date	\$355,000
Actual Giving Year to Date	\$321,600
Actual Giving Last Week	

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Upward

'A worshipping people' - **Upward**

Worship: we come together corporately to exalt the Lord Jesus Christ

The Word: we submit ourselves to the Bible as our rule for faith and life

Generosity: having received from divine generosity, we overflow with generosity to the world



Inward

'transformed by the peace of God in Christ,' - **Inward**

Sacramental Life: our participation in the sacraments of bread and wine flows into our everyday lives

The Holy Spirit: living by the Spirit, we use His gifts to build the church and bless Vancouver

Prayerful Presence: we intercede for our homes, neighbourhoods and networks, for God to do His work



Outward

'seeking to be faithful stewards of the Kingdom.' - **Outward**

Covenantal Commitments: we covenant with one another to uphold, support and love one another.

Priestly Work: we see all of life as calling (as "vocatio")

Proclamation: we proclaim the Cross of Christ as the accomplishment of God's Kingdom for the world