



Welcome!

Why Do You Follow Jesus?

Imagine a church that grows from a dozen members to well over 5,000—in just three years. They have strong leaders, enthusiastic members, and a fantastic preacher. Miracles are happening every day. The whole country is talking about it. Then, one morning...after the Preacher gives one short little sermon...boom...the congregation goes from 5,000 back down to the original twelve.

That's what happened to Jesus in John 6.22-71 (read text). Jesus had developed a huge following. His congregation grew to the point that no building in Galilee could hold them. All 4 Gospels describe one meeting where He fed 5,000 men...not even counting the women and children (Matthew 14, Mark 6, Luke 9, John 6). After that, people wanted to grab Jesus, make Him their King, and march to Jerusalem in a big Victory Parade.

Jesus and His disciples sailed in a boat to the other side of the Sea of Galilee. When the crowd finally found Him, Jesus preached another sermon and accused them of only following Him because they were fed. Then He tells them they must eat His flesh and drink His blood. The crowd thought that was too much and started grumbling. All the people turned and left except for the original twelve.

Why did the crowd follow Jesus to begin with? What attracted them to Him? Why do you follow Jesus? Who do you really think He is? Will you eat His flesh and drink His blood, i.e., assimilate His teachings into your life and live by them? Are you living according to Jesus' Word? Do you have hope of eternal salvation? Why are you following Jesus? Think about it!
Gary

How Did Isaiah Know?

I Peter 2.21-25

- 1) In the 1st c., the Jewish people were praying and looking for the coming of the Messiah.
- 2) The scriptures prophesied of a coming Savior that would deliver God's people.
- 3) Instead of understanding the nature and purpose of the coming Savior, they envisioned a military ruler who would deliver them from Roman bondage.
- 4) They foresaw a Savior who would restore the kingdom back to the grandeur of the days of Solomon.
- 5) There are many passages in the Old Testament that prophesy of the coming Messiah, but I want us to focus on Isaiah 53 this morning.

Isaiah Prophesied About...

I) The Messiah's _____ (Isaiah 53.1-3).

- A) To what report was the prophet referring?
- B) The prophecy is saying, "God is _____."
 - 1) God watched Jesus grow.
 - 2) Do we even begin to comprehend how God is continually _____?
- C) Men were not drawn to Jesus because of His _____

D) _____
 D) How do we even know that the prophecy is referring to _____?

II) The _____ For The Rejection (53.4-6).

- A) The Jewish people saw Jesus as "_____ by God."
 - 1) They could not get past a Messiah being _____ upon a _____ (Deuteronomy 21.23).
 - 2) Jesus did not suffer for Himself; Jesus suffered for _____.
- B) Pilate ordered the _____ of Jesus just as prophesied.

III) The _____ Of The Rejection (53.7-9).

- A) Jesus was rejected through a series of _____ processes and _____ trials.
- B) How did Jesus respond to being mistreated?
- C) How was Jesus' _____ taken away?

IV) The _____ Of The Rejection (53.10-12).

- A) How was Jehovah "_____ " by the bruising of Jesus?
- B) Who normally takes the _____?
 - 1) Jesus was numbered with the _____; but—
 - 2) Jesus was _____ over _____.

Conclusion: Do you need to make your life right with God?

CONNECTION

Good Morning church family! Today we are taking a brief detour in our Connections Corner schedule to “give honor to whom honor is due.” I have decided that, when we have one of our WH family leaving us, to feature them in our Connections Corner to both honor them for their love and service to WH, but also to help our new members get to know a little bit of what it means to be a “church family.” and see that our “connections” are not broken by distance, but rather just extended (even all the way to Arkansas!!)



This week we feature the Crook family, as they are in the process of moving to Arkansas. Jay, Becca, Cheyenne and Gray came to Western Hills from Corpus Christi nine years ago. They were a wonderful example of what it means to become a new part of a church family. They dove in “head first” so to speak and were “all in” from the very beginning. Gray and Cheyenne became active members of our youth group and helped with many functions for the kids, such as LTC, VBS and especially with the fall festivals where their costumes were big hits every year.

Jay was appointed as one of our elders by the congregation and has served as shepherd honorably for several years. He has been very active in our mission efforts, helped provide and shape our website and online phone directory, and began online streaming of our bible classes and worship services. He has taught many bible classes, hosted and led small groups, and helped develop our adult bible class program schedules. And, as if that wasn’t enough, he serves as Becca’s creative consultant, set designer and builder, and support for all of the work that Becca has blessed WH with.

Becca has been a co-leader for our VBS programs for several years, writing the materials and scripts, designing, building, painting (and sometimes re-painting) stage sets and classroom decorations. She has been very involved with the Star Bright School here and is greatly loved by so many of the children there. She has also helped develop and write video drama and puppet skit programs for LTC and so much more.

The Crooks blew into WH like a Corpus Christi hurricane and became an invaluable part of our church family. They will be deeply missed. As with all loved ones, we wish we could hang on to them forever, but “*For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven.... A time to plant, and a time to pluck up what has been planted.*” Ecclesiastes 3:1,2b. We were blessed with the Crooks here for a season, and we have faith that they will be just as much a blessing to the new place where God will plant them.



Les Keele

Volunteers are needed to work with the Tarrant County Jail Ministry to teach a bible class, one per week. Please See Amanda Garner 817-201-1879. There is a waiting list to attend the Bible Classes!



If you want to have a baby shower or a wedding shower at the building please see Dorothy Anderson or Sharon Pippin.

Ladies, if you would like to share prayer time and gain strength by coming together with your Western Hills’ sisters, Come to the Library, on Wednesday nights at 6:40.

Glenn Baird is needing help with the food Bank and distribution on Thursdays from 3pm- 6pm. Your help would be greatly appreciated.



Party: Happy 80th Birthday to Tom Pauley October 16 (Sunday) Fellowship Hall from 2-4 pm. Please come and help him celebrate!

Youth group activities:

Location : TBA
October 2nd-Dinner and Devo



SHEPHERDS

Greg Ball 214-801-7375
 Russ Bartee 817-938-5825
 *Dan Kille 817-793-7493
 Chuck Meyer 817-448-0060
 Tom Pauley 817-370-5515
 Ross Tomlinson 682-429-1983
 John Walton 817-441-0000
 *Shepherd of the month

MINISTERS

Gary Williams: 662-321-3208
Pulpit Minister
 Les Keele: 817-808-0566
Associate Minister
 James Bowie: 817-944-4492
Youth Minister
 John Boudtaroth: 817-891-2132
Laotian Minister
 Ken Intharansy: 817-501-6838
Laotian Minister

DEACONS

Jon Bartee: 817-889-2686
 James Bowie: 817-944-4492
 Brandon Duncan: 903-603-1059
 Jay Garner: 817-205-2070
 Doug Lowrey: 817-249-0238
 Ben Meyer: 817-673-8557
 Robert Scott: 817-246-0911
 Matt Sloan: 405-471-3404
 Steve Taylor: 817-291-2065
 Buck Thomas: 817-733-2620
 Arthur Torrez: 817-721-2726

Food Bank : August

185 – Families Served
 \$829.92 – Cost to WHCOC
 9353 lbs – Estimated Weight of Food

MORNING WORSHIP (10 AM)

Welcome -

Song Leader - Matthew Sloan

Song - How Great Is Our God

Song - Highest Place

Prayer - Doug Lowery

Scripture - I Peter 2.21-25

Song - How Deep The Father's Love

Lord's Supper - Chuck King

Prayer for Contribution- Chuck King

Song - Seeking The Lost

How Did Isaiah Know - Gary Williams

Song - Are You Washed In The Blood?

Song - You Are The Song That I Sing

Announcements - Dan Kille

Shepherd's Prayer & Dismissal - Dan Kille

Attended Nursery: After communion, we have an attended nursery available for ages birth to 3 years. There is also a cry room available if needed.

Donate by
 QR Code?
 Here is ours:
 Thank You!



Sunday, October 2: Life of Christ Commentary Vol. 2, Lessons 73 and 74 please read pages 121 - 130

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Monday, September 26

Ezekiel 41 - 43

Tuesday, September 27

Ezekiel 44 - 46

Wednesday, September 28

Ezekiel 47 - 48

Thursday, September 29

Daniel 1 - 3

Friday, September 30

Daniel 4 - 7

Saturday, October 1

Daniel 8 - 10

Sunday, October 2

Daniel 11 - 12

Last Week

Bible Class:	131	Wednesday:	94
AM Worship:	203	Contribution:	\$ 9,387.07
PM Worship:	59	Budget:	\$ \$14,193.04

Times of Assemblies

Bible Class:	9:00 AM
Sunday Morning Worship:	10:00 AM
Sunday Evening Worship:	5:00 PM
Wednesday Evening:	7:00 PM

PRAYER REQUESTS

Members

September 25, 2022

NAME	SITUATION	PRAY FOR
Pam Terrell	She will be having a procedure to remove cancer from her head. 1901 Dakar Rd. W.Fort Worth 76116	Healing
Nancy Wright	She is having a back procedure on Oct 4, at Baylor Surgical Center. 8600 Vista Royale Dr.Fort Worth 76108	Guide the Doctors and quick healing
Sandra Wade's Family	Her nephew Jon Williams past away. 1121 Oak Glen Cir. Fort Worth Tx 76114	Prayers for the family over their loss
Marie Perez 9/14	She is having trouble with her daily faith. She also asked for prayers for her husband and daughter. 3617 Townsend Dr. Fort Worth Tx 76110	Strengthen faith
Betty Baumann's family	Morene Popchoke, Betty Baumann's sister, passed away (9/13) If you want to send cards Please send to Debbie Green Her daughter: 920 W. Bridge St Granbury Tx 76048	The family over their loss
Patricia Emerson 08/28/2022	Has begun chemotherapy for triple negative breast cancer. 6536 Woodale, Wautauga, Texas 76148	Strength, healing, peace
Kathryn Sloan 08/18/2022	Has lupus and it has been flaring up and causing issues. 4209 Hollow Creek Ct. Aledo, Tx 76008	Health to improve
Stefani Sanchez 08/07/2022	Nov 14 she will have a stint put in for her aneurysm. 5525 Cross creek Lane, Apartment 2110, Benbrook, Texas 76109	Guidance for the doctors and successful treatment
Polly McCarty	Is in Watermark @ Broadway City view room 1204 When released she will be moving to an assisted living. 917 Willow Way Benbrook Tx 76126	Please pray for healing and for Nancy Moody and her decisions
Joe & Jodi Gentry	Jodi is dealing with emotional issues at this time. Please pray for Joe and Jodi. 408 Rim Rock Dr. Fort Worth, TX 76108	Wisdom for the doctors knowing how to help Jodi, strength and patience for Joe
Barbara Lowrey 07/21/2022	Severe back pain and is going to see surgeon soon. 921 Timberline Drive, Benbrook, Texas 76126	Healing and relief from pain
Cheryl Omer	Is in Colonial Gardens Memory Care of Fort Worth. 6939 River Park Circle, Fort Worth, Texas 76116	Healing, comfort, and peace for Roger and their children

PRAYER REQUESTS
Family & Friends
September 25, 2022

NAME	REQUESTED BY	SITUATION	PRAY FOR
Kerry Antwine is brother to	Janelle Ball	He will have prostate surgery to remove cancer on Nov 15.	Healing
Cherrie Bradberry Niece in-law to	Judy Birmingham	She is loosing iron and needs transfusions	Healing
Cindy Fox Cousin of	Pat Molder	She has breast cancer and after surgery it metastasized to other parts of her body.	Healing
Jenna Adkins, daughter of Kendra Adkins	Amy Bartee	Jenna is 32 weeks pregnant and her water broke August 24. She is still pregnant and they are trying to hold off for another week and a half.	Her ability to carry full term and for the baby to continue to develop 08/26/2022
Jane Wilson, mother of	Mindy Markum	She fell and is going home to complete her Rehab.	Quick healing 08/22/2022
Pat Davis, son-in-law of	Kathryn Sloan	Has an inoperable grapefruit-sized cancer in his liver.	The doctors and for his peace 08/18/2022
Sara Blackstock, sister of	Nancy Wright	Has been diagnosed with breast cancer and having a mastectomy on Sept 22.	Guidance and healing 07/2022

Happy September Birthdays

1 Bob Howard
2 Jennifer Duncan
4 Nancy Wright
5 Johnnie Wright
6 Michael Davis
7 Joe Garcia
8 Missy Moore
8 Thongleuane Siharath
9 Brianna Chakrathouk
10 Amber Grier
16 Isaias Torrez
16 Gracy Vazquez
17 Janelle Reynolds
18 Nathan Bowie
18 Jill Sloan
19 Sue Carpenter
19 Lee Ann Fisher
19 Sue Little Smith
20 Judy Blair
20 Peter Brown
22 Kasie Muongnmvong
22 Mackenzie Myers
23 Frankie Smith
24 Brad Reynolds

25 Debbie Rollins
25 David Wilmington
26 Mary East
26 Roy Eubanks
26 Michael Lowrey
28 Jessica Boupraseuth Mills
29 Wray Grier
29 Nancy Mulliniks
30 Robert Scott

CHILDREN

1 Lilah Bolt
15 Gavin Grier
25 Andrew Scott

Later Judean Ministry, Part 7: Repentance

Looking into the Face of Christ

The Life of Christ, 2: Pages 102-113

Individual Study Guide: Lesson Plan 71

1. What is the literal meaning of the word "baptism"?
2. What is the meaning of the phrase "cast fire upon the earth" in Luke 12:49?
3. What is the meaning of the word "repentance"?
4. What is the message Christ taught in the parable of the barren fig tree?
5. In what year was Jerusalem destroyed by the Romans?
6. What are the two verses in Luke 13 that are duplicated?
7. Why is repentance important and necessary?
8. Which of God's commands do many find to be the hardest to obey?
9. What are two reasons repentance is difficult?
10. What does 2 Corinthians 7:9, 10 teach about repentance?
11. What kind of sorrow "produces repentance"?
12. What does the Greek word *metanoeo* mean?
13. What is the meaning of Matthew 11:24?

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Transition to His Perea Ministry

Looking into the Face of Jesus

The Life of Christ, 2: Pages 113-118

Individual Study Guide: Lesson Plan 72

1. For how many years had the crippled woman suffered with a disfiguring disease?
2. What did Paul call his physical "thorn in the flesh"?
3. How many of Jesus' previous miracles had resulted in a Sabbath controversy?
4. What did the "Feast of the Dedication" commemorate for the Jews?
5. What is the "Feast of the Dedication" called today?
6. In what part of the temple was the "portico of Solomon" located?
7. What did Jewish tradition say concerning the wall of Solomon's porch?
8. What was Daniel's term for the Messiah?
9. The Jewish leaders falsely accused Jesus of what sin?
10. What is John 10:28, 29 sometimes used to try to prove?
11. What is the meaning of the phrase "and the Scripture cannot be broken" in John 10:35?

**Starting His Perea Ministry:
Humility/Selflessness**
Looking into the Face of Jesus
The Life of Christ, 2: Pages 121-128
Individual Study Guide: Lesson Plan 73

1. Where was the region of Perea located?
2. How many months did Jesus spend in Perea?
3. Did Jesus find success in Perea?
4. Did John the Baptizer perform miracles?
5. What had Jesus said concerning the number who would be saved in the Sermon on the Mount?
6. Who ruled over Perea and Galilee during the time of Christ?
7. To what did the phrasing “reach My goal” refer in Luke 13:32?
8. Why was Jesus constantly being watched by the Pharisees?
9. What is “dropsy”?
10. What does Jesus’ parable in Luke 14:7–11 teach?
11. What does Jesus’ parable in Luke 14:12–14 teach?

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Excuses and Complete Devotion
Looking into the Face of Jesus
The Life of Christ, 2: Pages 128-130
Individual Study Guide: Lesson Plan 74

1. What does John 5:28, 29 teach concerning the resurrection?
2. What lesson did Jesus teach in the parable of the great banquet?
3. Who did Jesus say would be “blessed” in the resurrection?
4. What does the word “compel” mean in Luke 14:23?
5. What size crowds followed Jesus in Perea?
6. What did Jesus teach about “counting the cost”?
7. How did Jesus re-emphasize the cost of discipleship?

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