



Breaking God's Heart

Have you ever had your heart broken? When we are young, our hearts are often broken when we break up with someone we love. Our hearts are broken when people who we thought were truly friends say hateful things about us behind our backs. Death of a loved one often breaks one's heart. There is normally great pain and grief associated with heartbreak. A pain that pierces our heart and causes us to feel saddened, disappointed, and maybe even depressed. No one wants to experience such sorrow. But do we realize that when we sin, we break God's heart?

In the sermon on the Mount, Jesus said, **"Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted" Matthew 5:4**. The Greek word translated **"mourn"** is the strongest and most severe of about nine Greek words that express grief or sorrow. It is the word most often used to express the grief felt by a person who has lost a loved one (Genesis 37:34; Mark 16:10). It is the kind of sorrow that grips a person and will not let go. Jesus was not discussing sorrow over loss, however. He was speaking about "godly sorrow," the sorrow a person feels because of his sins (Psalm 51:1-4, 7-12; 2 Corinthians 7:10, 11). It is only when we realize that our sins break God's heart that we are fit candidates for conversion. Paul said that **"godly sorrow brings repentance that leads to salvation" (2 Corinthians 7:10)**. When the weight of our sins troubles us and becomes too great for us to bear (Psalm 38:4; 51:3), Jesus can lift that burden from us (Matthew 11:28-30). Spiritual comfort grows within us when we accept the salvation He affords us through faith and obedience. Jesus said that we **"shall be comforted."** Paul wrote, **"Therefore there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus" (Romans 8:1)**. In faith, repentance, and baptism, a person receives great relief and release when he realizes that his sins have been washed away by the blood of Christ. We can continue to enjoy this blessedness if we will walk in the light of His Word and continue to confess our sins to Him (1 John 1:7-10).¹ Are you breaking God's heart today?

Gary

¹Adapted from *Life of Christ, lesson 21*.

How Did Jesus Talk To People?

Matthew 28.18-20

- 1) What keeps you from talking to people about Jesus?
- 2) If Jesus is our Perfect Example (I Peter 2.21), then shouldn't we examine how Jesus talked to people and then try to take the same approach?
- 3) What can I do that will actually encourage people to listen to me when I speak about Jesus?
- 4) What can I learn from Jesus?

When Jesus Spoke To People, He...

I) Expressed _____.

- A) Jesus already had an interest in them before He ever opened His mouth. Why?
- B) Did you know that Jesus did not let anything stop Him from talking to people?

Turn to John 4.1-8.

- 1) What excuses could Jesus have offered?
- 2) Do we let opportunities pass us by because one excuse is just as good as another?
- 3) Jesus did not let an _____ to _____ pass Him by.
- 4) Jesus did not let _____ prevent Him from trying to save her (John 4.9).
- 5) Do we let our _____ keep us from talking to people about Jesus?
- C) Do we forget that Jesus also checks our _____ (Jo. 6.53-60, 66, 67)?

II) Showed _____.

- A) Do you remember when Mary and Martha sent for Jesus because their brother, Lazarus, was sick? **Turn to John 11.17-23.**
 - 1) What did Jesus do?
 - 2) How often do you have compassion on those to whom you want to mention Jesus?
- B) What about the _____ on the _____ (Luke 23.43)?

III) Used _____.

- A) When Jesus taught other people, He often compared what they believed to what scriptures truly teach (Matthew 5.21).
 - 1) What does that have to do with me talking to other people about Jesus?
 - 2) Do you take time to help people _____ what the scriptures teach?
- B) Jesus also used _____ the people could understand.
 - 1) How did Jesus speak to them? He often taught with _____.
 - 2) What is the point?

IV) Made Salvation _____.

- A) How many times can you think of Jesus making being saved conditional?
- B) Have we done what the Savior asks if we never talk to people about the _____ they have to make?

Conclusion: Do you need to come to Jesus today?

CONNECTION

Good Morning church family! I am taking a detour from our normal connection corner member feature to ask for your help. We have 2 new opportunities for growing our family connection.

First, the leadership here at Western Hills believes strongly in the power, benefit and effectiveness of unity and community in strengthening and ministering to the WH family. The elders take their responsibility as Shepherds very seriously and strive to provide ways to enhance our family unity.

In that regard, we are soon beginning our new "Connect" small groups. I know that many of you have participated in the past and we hope that you will once again in this round of groups. If you have not participated before, the elders urge you to prayerfully consider joining a group for this session. These groups are a blessing by giving you an opportunity to meet our brothers and sisters and grow even closer than only by full congregational gatherings alone.

I would also urge you to consider reaching out and joining a group with different people each year. It is tempting to join the same group each time because it is comfortable, but when you limit yourself to the same group of people, you are missing an opportunity for additional blessings because we all have so much to offer and share with each other from the oldest to the youngest.

Secondly, we have an opportunity for our adults to connect with our youth. Judy Blair has contact cards for our youth and we are asking our adults who are willing to take a contact card and commit to send 1 note of encouragement per month for the remaining 8 months of the school year. We hope to have each youth have several adults encouraging them and connecting in this way. Contact Judy Blair for more information and to sign up. Her email is blair_judy@yahoo.com.

"By this will all people know that you are my disciples, if you *have love for one another.*" John 13:35

Les Keele



Door Knocking: October 29 from 10 - 12 pm. Please come and invite our neighbors to learn about God.

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.



Game night is October 21 @ 6 pm; please bring your favorite games to play.



OCTOBER 31 TRUNK OR TREAT : We will need people to sign up to decorate their cars and people to bring candy for the kids.



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

Small Groups begin October 23 so hurry and sign up for your "Connect" groups.

Becca & Jay Crook's new address is 127 Knollwood Dr. Searcy, AR 72143. They will need help this Thursday 9 am loading their UHAUL. Thank you.

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



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Food Bank : August

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

MORNING WORSHIP (10 AM)

Welcome - Steven Johnson
Song Leader - Matthew Sloan
Song - Here I Am To Worship
Song - As The Deer Thirsts
Prayer - Vernon Hamilton
Scripture - Matthew 28.18-20
Song - Remind Me, Dear Lord
Lord's Supper - Ben Meyer
Prayer for Contribution - Ben Meyer
Song - My Hope Is Built On Nothing Less
How Did Jesus Talk To People? - Gary Williams
Song - Do You Know My Jesus
Song - I Will Call Upon The Lord
Announcements - Chuck Meyer
Shepherd's Prayer & Dismissal - Church Meyer

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 9: Life of Christ Commentary Vol. 2, Lessons 75 - 76 please read pages 130 - 140

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Monday, October 3

Hosea 1 - 3

Tuesday, October 4

Hosea 4 - 7

Wednesday, October 5

Hosea 8 - 10

Thursday, October 6

Hosea 11 - 14

Friday, October 7

Joel 1 - 3

Saturday, October 8

Amos 1 - 3

Sunday, October 9

Amos 4 - 6

Last Week

Bible Class:	125	Wednesday:	102
AM Worship:	194	Contribution:	\$ 9,387.07
PM Worship:	58	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
October 2, 2022

NAME	SITUATION	PRAY FOR
Jeff Swan	He will be having knee replacement surgery Oct. 12 at Medical City Ft Worth. 1717 High Ridge Rd Benbrook 76126	Successful surgery and quick healing
Barbara Lowrey	She is having back surgery on Oct 17 @ Harris City view. 921 Timberline Drive, Benbrook, Texas 76126	Healing and relief from pain
Milt Birmingham	His cousin, David Roberts died on the 26 and they will be traveling to the funeral. 5021 Birch Hollow Ln. Ft. Worth, Tx 76132	The family and safe travels
Carolyn Williams	She has Colon cancer and will have surgery on Oct. 4th at Harris Downtown . 8211 Llano Ave Ft. Worth 76116	Successful surgery and quick healing
Diann Clark	She is on hospice for advanced breast cancer. 11432 Northpointe Ct. Aledo 76008	Peace and guidance for her and family
Skipper Reed	She is recovering from facial surgery. 8000 Calmont Ave. #148 Fort Worth 76116	Quick healing
Mary Bunch	Is having health issues. 209 Flaxseed Lane Fort Worth 76108	Better health
Betty Wilcox	Is having health issues. 8313 Estandarte Ct. Benbrook 76126	Better health
Yvonne Hallum	She is having sever back pain. 3235 Rosemeade Dr. #1913 Fort Worth 76116	Relief
Ellen Adams	She is having health issues and is in the hospital. No visitors at this time please. Calls are welcome. 8233 Saddlebrook Fort Worth Tx 76116	Quick 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 have back surgery on Oct 17. 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
October 2, 2022

NAME	REQUESTED BY	SITUATION	PRAY FOR
Buddy Holland, brother to	Judy Birmingham	His lung cancer has metastasized.	Healing and comfort
Dot Murter, mother in-law-to sister of	Vicki Bowers	She is 94 years old and fell. She had hip replacement surgery on Sept 29.	Good health and quick recovery
Sherry Campbell mother of son in law to	Ellen Bartee	She will pass away soon.	Peace for her and her family
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	Had a mastectomy on Sept 22 and was sent home that night.	Thankful for a successful surgery and prayers for healing 07/2022

Happy Birthday October People!

1 Bouathong Chansombath

1 Les Keele

2 Tony Martin

2 Pheng Vilaysack

6 Sharon Pippin

6 Travis Whitacre

7 Luck Rodman

8 Roxann Whitacre

10 Betty Baumann

10 Jimmy Bolt

10 Jay Crook

12 Georgia Mahan

12 Patti Maynard

13 Steven Wheeler

16 Melinda Markum

17 Barbara Adams

17 Tom Pauley

20 Sabrina Vilaysack

Children

1 Lyndon Watson

11 Layton Meyer

16 Caden Cato

21 Claire Meyer

23 Kade Moore

24 Elizabeth Intharansy

25 Cass DeKoker

25 Courtney Meyer

25 Suzan Ward

26 Amanda Garner

29 Jodi Gentry

29 Patricia Neislar

30 Bob Riley

31 Vickie Bowers

**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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The Importance of Lost Souls
Looking into the Face of Jesus
The Life of Christ, 2: Pages 130-136
Individual Study Guide: Lesson Plan 75

1. How was the term “sinners” used by the Pharisees in Jesus’ day?
2. Some have used Luke 15:1, 2 to try to justify what actions?
3. What was Jesus’ purpose for eating with tax collectors and sinners?
4. What was the extent of Jesus’ participation with tax collectors and sinners?
5. What kind of individuals did the Pharisees consider themselves to be?
6. Did the Pharisees see the need for repentance?
7. What was the value of a “drachma”?
8. What was a “denarius”?
9. What does the word “prodigal” mean?
10. What contrast does Jesus highlight in “The Parable of the Prodigal Son”?
11. Who does the older brother represent in “The Parable of the Prodigal Son”?
12. What should our attitude be when one returns to the Lord?
13. What are some of the good and bad qualities of the older brother in the parable?
14. What attitude did the father express toward his two sons in the parable?

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Warnings Against Serving Money
Looking into the Face of Jesus
The Life of Christ, 2: Pages 136-140
Individual Study Guide: Lesson Plan 76

1. What is the meaning of the word “steward”?
2. How do we “make friends” with possessions?
3. Explain the importance of giving to others.
4. Jesus warned His followers about letting what become their master?
5. What is one of the ways we lay up treasures in heaven?
6. How did Jesus stress the importance of being good stewards?
7. What did the Pharisees believe concerning wealth and God’s approval?
8. How did Christ reprimand the Pharisees?

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