



BEACH
CAMP

2021

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WELCOME FROM PASTOR GRAHAM

I am so pleased to be with you at Beach Camp. It is wonderful to witness you being poured into by our adult leaders. Prayerfully, you will see the importance and need to step up as the next generation of believers.

I've often talked about my life-changing experiences at high school camp. I attended Sagamore Hill Baptist Church in Fort Worth, a church well known for its youth ministry and summer camp at Latham Springs near Waco. As a 15-year-old attending camp, I surrendered to Christ unconditionally, and my life was changed forever. Not long afterward, I heard God's call to preach.

God spoke to me, and I know He is going to speak to you. I love that you are devoting time each day to Silent Sounds. Be still. Meditate in His Word. Listen for His voice. It will transform your life.

In Christ alone,
Jack Graham



SCHEDULE

*Times are subject to change

MON | JUNE 14

6:00 p.m. Buses arrive/Dinner
7:00 p.m. Worship
9:00 p.m. Buses:
Village >>> Resorts
11:30 p.m. Lights Out

TUES | JUNE 15

8:00 a.m. Breakfast
8:45 a.m. Silent Sounds
10:00 a.m. Family Groups
11:00 a.m. Buses:
Resorts >>> Rec
11:30 a.m. Rec
Noon Buses:
Rec >>> Resorts
12:30 p.m. Lunch
1:30 p.m. Free Time
5:00 p.m. Clean Up
5:30 p.m. Dinner
6:30 p.m. Buses:
Resorts >>> Village
7:30 p.m. Worship
9:30 p.m. Buses:
Village >>> Resorts
10:00 p.m. Curfew/Condo Time
11:30 p.m. Lights Out

WED | JUNE 16

8:00 a.m. Breakfast
8:45 a.m. Silent Sounds
10:00 a.m. Family Groups
11:00 a.m. Buses:
Resorts >>> Rec
11:30 a.m. Rec
Noon Buses:
Rec >>> Resorts
12:30 p.m. Lunch
1:30 p.m. Free Time
5:00 p.m. Clean Up
5:30 p.m. Dinner
6:30 p.m. Buses:
Resort >>> Village
7:30 p.m. Worship
9:30 p.m. Buses:
Village >>> Resorts
10:00 p.m. Curfew/Condo Time
11:30 p.m. Lights Out

THUR | JUNE 17

8:00 a.m. Breakfast
8:45 a.m. Silent Sounds
10:00 a.m. Family Groups
11:00 a.m. Buses:
Resorts >>> Rec
11:30 a.m. Rec
Noon Buses:
Rec >>> Resorts
12:30 p.m. Lunch
1:30 p.m. Free Time
4:30 p.m. Clean Up
5:30 p.m. HS Load Buses
6:00 p.m. JH Load Buses
7:00 p.m. Group Picture
7:15 p.m. Baptism
8:20-8:30 p.m. Buses >>> Resorts
8:30 p.m. Curfew/Condo Time
10:30 p.m. Lights Out

FRI | JUNE 18

5:30 a.m. Load Buses
@ Condos
6:00 a.m. Leave for Prosper
& Plano
7:30 p.m. Buses Arrive at
(approx.) Prosper & Plano

GUIDELINES

All attendees must agree to abide by the following guidelines to be able to attend camp. FAILURE TO COMPLY WILL RESULT IN YOUR BEING SENT HOME AT YOUR OWN EXPENSE.

1. Please let your behavior reflect what Beach Camp is about. We have a zero tolerance policy toward pranks, hazing, drugs, alcohol, pornography or any other behavior deemed inappropriate.

2. Obey the rules of all camp facilities (condos, rec fields & church).

3. No one will be allowed to leave any of the camp facilities unless permission has been received from Jason Mick. No visitors are allowed without prior permission from Jason.

4. Stay in the designated areas during Rec/Free Time.

5. No balconies...ever!

6. Guys are not allowed in the girls' rooms; girls are not allowed in the guys' rooms. Violators will earn an AUTOMATIC TRIP HOME AT YOUR EXPENSE.

7. All students must be supervised by an adult leader at all times. No student or group should ever be in a condo without an adult present.

8. Participate in EVERYTHING.

9. If medical attention is needed, report the incident immediately to the camp nurses.

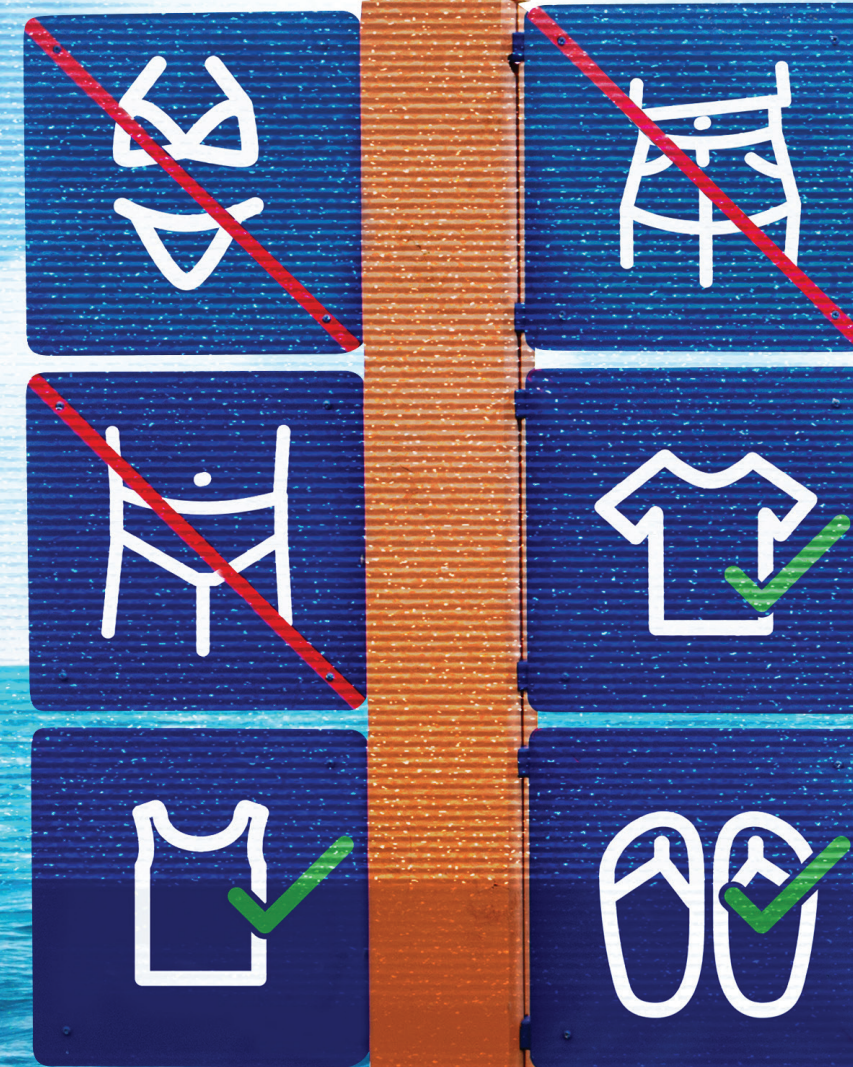
10. No one may leave his/her room after curfew. Lights Out is designed for your benefit.

11. You are not allowed to bring or have the following items at camp: drugs, alcohol, tobacco products, pornography, weapons, fireworks, balloons or any electronic cigarette/vaping devices. Do not bring or watch questionable entertainment on personal devices. WE RESERVE THE RIGHT TO INSPECT YOUR LUGGAGE SHOULD WE HAVE REASON TO DO SO.

12. Any property damage must be reported immediately to Steph Williford and the condo captain.

13. Nametags and wristbands must be worn at all times.

14. Be on time for all Silent Sounds, Family Groups, Worship times, meals, Rec, etc.



We expect you to use discretion and discernment in dress.

Girls: Only modest one-piece **or** “tankini” swimsuits that **fully cover the midriff**. Think “sporty one-piece” bathing suits! *No mesh, cut-outs, hi-cut, low-cut, strapless or cheeky-cut suits will be allowed.*

Guys: No short (mid-thigh) or tight shorts will be allowed.

Students must wear tank tops/ T-shirts and shorts to and from Free Time. T-shirts with sleeves are required during all worship sessions. Shoes must be worn at all times, except when on the beach or swimming.

**Leaders, please check your students before you leave the condo each day to make sure every student is meeting dress code.*

#PRESTONWOODSTUDENTS



W E D N E S D A Y S

MDWK

HIGH SCHOOL

IN-HOME BIBLE STUDIES, EVANGELISM, FUN WITH FRIENDS



JHIGH

THEME NIGHTS, COMPETITIONS, FOOD, BIBLE TEACHING AND SO MUCH FUN!



PRESTONWOODSTUDENTS.ORG/MIDWEEK



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WORSHIP NOTES

POST WORSHIP

When you were on the bus, how did you answer the question, “Where does Jesus want to take you this week?”

What are you praying for God to do in your life this week?

What are you most excited about for Beach Camp this year?

Why did you decide to come to Beach Camp?

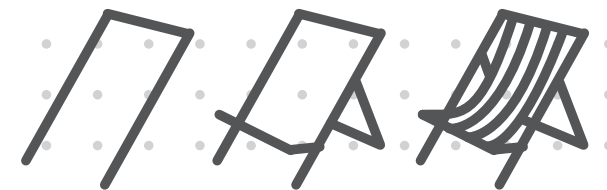
What was your takeaway from the message tonight?

What is one practical thing you can do in your life tomorrow in response to what we talked about?

To prepare for tomorrow...Think about your story.

- If you know Christ, think about your testimony.
- If you don’t know Christ, what’s your story? Who are you?

NOTES & SKETCHES



LEAD TEAM

JUMP IN AND SERVE.

YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE.

TEXT IF YOU ARE A...

PLANO CAMPUS HIGH SCHOOLER:

PCHSLEAD

PLANO CAMPUS JUNIOR HIGHER:

PCJHIGHLEAD

ESPAÑOL STUDENT:

ESPLEAD

TO 74788 TO SIGN UP!

NORTH CAMPUS HIGH SCHOOLER:

NCHSLEAD

NORTH CAMPUS JUNIOR HIGHER:

NCJHIGHLEAD

TO 55125 TO SIGN UP!



16TH ANNUAL

FALL FOLLIES

SATURDAY

OCTOBER 16

2:00 & 7:00 PM

SUNDAY

OCTOBER 17

3:00 & 6:00 PM

PLANO CAMPUS WORSHIP CENTER

For details, e-mail ilee@prestonwood.org.



GRAVES INTO GARDENS

BY ELEVATION WORSHIP

“Graves Into Gardens” is a testimonial song to the power, grace and authority of God. It is a song that declares the faithfulness of God in our lives. We have all had moments where we felt hopeless or as if we couldn’t keep pushing on, but our God specializes in taking moments such as those and transforming not just our circumstance but transforming us. As the song says, He turns “Graves Into Gardens,” so what challenge, trial or “grave” do you need God to transform? When we lay our circumstances and struggles before the Lord, that is when He turns our “GRAVES INTO GARDENS.”

BY BENJAMIN WATTS



WELCOME TO SILENT SOUNDS

Life is busy. We get it. Sometimes we get so busy that we forget to stop, be still, and listen to what God has to say to us. But during Silent Sounds, you will be away from all distractions and alone with God as you discover what He has in store for you. He loves you, and His plans for you are big. We encourage you to be real with Him. Read the verses in your Bible, reflect on what you're reading, and talk to Him as if He were sitting right next to you, because He is. The best way to start your time each day is to spend a few minutes in prayer asking God to speak to you through His Word. We truly believe that these times of stillness will be one of your favorite parts of Beach Camp.

***WE ARE
PRAYING
FOR YOU!***
HAVE A GREAT WEEK!

SILENT SOUNDS

One Word for Today—“Child”

Every morning you will begin the day with some time alone in God’s Word on the beach as you learn what God says about your identity. This is a time to spend with God and allow Him to speak to you through the Bible. God has a view on identity and knows who you are. He never intends for us to find our value in how we are seen by others but how we are seen by Him. But who is He? Remember yesterday on the bus ride to camp? Focus on the video you watched after lunch. We talked about our identity as people who are created in the image of God.

Our theme this year at Beach Camp is “Identity.” We all struggle to really know and believe who we are. Culture, friends and social media slap different labels on us. We often hear, “You are the hopeless generation, entitled, spoiled, not good enough, too good, alone, more connected than ever, smart, dumb, loved, betrayed, too young, entrepreneurial, etc.” This week, we want to look at exactly what the God of the Universe says about His creation. You (yes, *you*) ... you are His creation. There are countless things that we, as humans, are labeled as in Scripture, but we want to focus on three this week.

This morning, you can choose how you will start Silent Sounds.

Depending on which option best relates to you, select it and follow the instructions:

Option A: If you are someone who ...

- Is new to this whole church thing or perhaps you have been learning about it and even attending a church, but you have never chosen to follow Christ and accepted Him into your heart
- Made a decision when you were very young but, for months or even years, haven’t been following Christ
- Is a follower of Christ but you constantly desire and choose other things

Begin reading below.

Option B: If you are someone who...

- Has had a relationship with Christ but you have become bitter
- Walks with God faithfully but struggles with recognition or being known by others as a fruitful follower
- Has a hard time with hypocrisy in the Church and can’t quite get past it

Turn to page 28 and begin reading.

OPTION A

Ethan and Amy had two sons named Seth and Barnett. They were the picture-perfect family. Ethan started a tech company when he was in college and sold it to Google for millions several years later. Since then, he had run a couple of very successful businesses and companies. Barnett was working at his dad’s current company. Amy (Ethan’s wife) was also a very successful realtor. This family was living the American Dream. At least that’s what it looked like on the outside. The inside was a very different story.

The younger son, Seth, was very discontent and wasn’t afraid to let everyone know. He was spending the summer working for his dad as he was still in college. Something inside him wanted out. He wanted independence and was tired of waiting for his turn to be successful. He had had enough of his parents’ rules. He was getting in fights with his parents all the time and they were frequently ending in tears and hurt feelings.

Years ago, Ethan (the dad) had set up his sons with their inheritance because he wanted to make sure they were looked after later in life no matter what happened. Each account had about \$3 million. Seth knew about this money and decided it was time to go out on his own, so he took the money, packed his things, and moved to Los Angeles, Calif.

Once Seth arrived, he began searching for a place he could call his own. Instead of calling his mom for help, Seth turned to another realtor. Seeing how much commission he could make, the greedy realtor showed Seth several houses he had no business buying. Seth fell in love with the third house they saw. The giant staircase in the entrance screamed high class and big money...not to mention the view from the pool. SOLD! Then Seth noticed that he had no one to enjoy it with.

To try to gain friends and impress his neighbors, Seth threw the biggest party the neighborhood had ever seen. Everyone left in awe of his status and Seth felt amazing. After the party, his neighbors would come over a lot to hang out. Seth had an open-door policy. They would come over and use his pool, eat his food, and even borrow his cars. Seth loved being needed, surrounded by friends, and popular. But they were like leeches sucking the life, and money, out of him, so much so that after being in L.A. for only 12 months, Seth realized he had no money left.

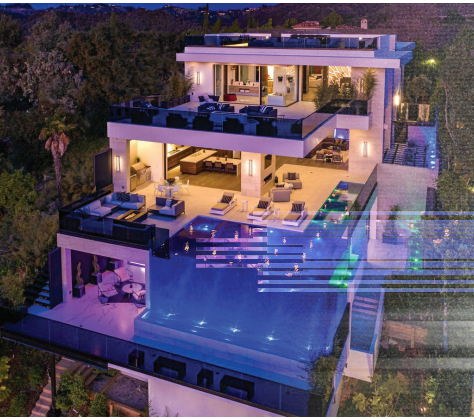
When his friends found out about it, they slowly began leaving him. They didn't come over as often. They didn't offer to do things with him. The excitement of being surrounded by friends turned into feelings of loneliness and embarrassment. In fact, the bank came and took his house back and kicked him to the curb ... literally. Seth became very depressed because he had nowhere to go. When he went to see if he could stay with his neighbors, they quickly said no. They even ghosted his texts.

As he contemplated his next step, he was at a loss. He was not healthy mentally or physically. Finally, he came to his senses and decided to go back home. This was his last resort as he didn't know how his family would respond. There was a darkness eating him from the inside out and a void in his heart that nothing could fill.

As he hitchhiked back home, he was hungry, tired, angry, fearful, and dreading what everyone was going to think about him. The truck he was riding in dropped him off at the gate to his family's house. As he stood with his hand on the gate, he thought about what his father was going to say. He didn't leave on the best terms. He almost turned to walk away, but then he heard a familiar voice say, "Seth? Is that you?"

His dad had been waiting for Seth and had seen him from the front door. He came running down the driveway and bear-hugged Seth. Ethan almost didn't recognize him. Seth was skinny, pale, and sickly looking. Ethan called and ordered dinner from the finest steakhouse in the city because it was time to celebrate. His son had come home!

In that moment, Seth realized he was trying to fill his life with acceptance, affirmation and impressing others. None of these would ever fill the void in his heart. Suddenly, he knew what was missing ... the love of his father!



In what ways can you relate to this story?

What is a choice in your life that you have made and then regretted? Why did you regret it?

Have you ever messed up so badly that you wanted to hide? ☐ YES ☐ NO

How did you mess up? Were you forgiven? Were you able to forgive yourself?

This young man chose to leave his family and be on his own. He chose to follow his desires. He chose to fill his life with what seemed fun and pleasurable on the outside. The world around us, friends, media and culture all tell us that putting ourselves and our own desires first is the way to find fulfillment ... to find purpose. But just like this story, we always end up feeling empty and longing for something more. Although these things may fill the void in our hearts for moments at a time, they won't fill them for eternity.

[Read](#) Luke 15:11-32.

Does this sound familiar? The story of Seth is the parable of the Prodigal Son, the son who chose to run away from his family and seek what he thought only money and independence could give him. Maybe you read this story because you are someone who has never put your faith in Christ as your Lord and Savior, or you are someone who did so years ago and you haven't been living in a relationship with Him. You are trying to run away from home, away from your heavenly Father, away from your true identity.

You are much like the younger brother. You have chosen to live your life solely based on what you desire rather than what God wants. But just like Seth and the younger brother, you probably feel a need for something more. No matter what you try to feed your heart (drugs, TikTok, alcohol, vaping, relationships, sex, pornography, friendships, popularity, talents, grades, etc.), nothing fills you. A celebrity put it best when he said, "I think everybody should get rich and famous and do everything they ever dreamed of so they can see that it's not the answer."

Read 1 Timothy 6:9-10.

What is the difference between having money and loving money?

What do these passages say about having a love of money? What is the end result?

Read Matthew 6:24.

Do you serve another master besides God? If so, who or what is it?

Which of these do you try to fill your heart with?

- ☐ Friendships

☐ Being Dependable

☐ Relationships

☐ Gaining Praise/Recognition

☐ Vaping

☐ Drugs

☐ Doing the Right Thing

☐ Sex
- ☐ Social Media

☐ Alcohol

☐ Pornography

☐ Good Grades

☐ Possessions (clothes, cars, etc.)

☐ Pride

☐ Talent (sports, theater, etc.)

☐ Popularity (fame)

On a scale of 1 (least) to 10 (most), how fulfilled have you been by these things?

What does Paul mean when he says, “You were bought with a price. You are not your own”?

You can easily become known by all these things. Our identity, just like the Prodigal Son and Seth, can be wrapped up in what we are known for or what we do. When Seth’s money ran out, he lost his friends. He lost his identity. When his desires failed him, he felt as though his identity had, too.

Except one thing: Seth never lost his father. The father always knew who he was and never forgot him. The father always hoped he would come home.

And so does your heavenly Father. No matter what your past looks like, how broken you may feel, how far you have run, God is waiting for you with arms open wide.

Do you want this to be a week where God changes you? Why or why not?

PRAYER

Spend five minutes in prayer. Ask God to bring to light any ways you are currently struggling with finding your identity in things other than Him. Just have a conversation as you would with your best friend. Prayer is simply talking with God. Although you can’t see Him physically, He is listening to your every word. Ask God to begin to turn your heart to Him versus those other things. Finish by asking Him to open your ears and your heart to hear from Him this week.

OPTION B

Dalia and Ashli lived in the same cul-de-sac and were inseparable as children. Ashli was only 3 weeks older than Dalia, and so their 5th and 10th birthdays were joint birthday parties. In fact, they had this great plan that they were going to be roommates at A&M (and probably marry twins and live next door to each other forever). But around the time they turned 13, things started changing in their relationship.

During Vacation Bible School when they were 7, both Dalia and Ashli had walked up front and made a decision to follow Jesus. For Ashli, everything changed that day. For a while it seemed like Dalia’s life was forever changed as well. They were inseparable in middle school. When they turned 14, it seemed like Dalia would take longer and longer to respond to Ashli’s texts, and she started hanging out with an entirely different group of friends. When Ashli showed up for the start of 8th grade, she found out that Dalia wanted nothing to do with her or anyone from their church.

Ashli continued to have her quiet time every morning. She let her parents have all her social media logins and she checked in her phone to her parents every night. She obeyed and did everything asked of her. She worked hard to be in the top of her class. The only interaction she had with Dalia was through social media. Every story she saw was crazier than the last. If there was a wrong decision or a wrong person for Dalia to hang out with, she did it.

Dalia’s dad was a music producer and was able to get tickets to just about any show. Dalia was always posting pictures of her new best friends with her backstage at concerts. Online videos made her famous, and if there was a party Dalia was there. Ashli never went to parties and made sure to show up early every Sunday to help with the leadership team at church. In fact, most people called her “Angel Ashli” at school (something that didn’t fully feel like a compliment, but she still wanted to follow the Lord).

Going into senior year, Ashli was ready for whatever God had next. More than anything, she wanted to get into Texas A&M University and had been working hard to make that possible. Dalia, on the other hand, seemed to see senior year as a perpetual party—a time of no consequences and risks. Then Ashli heard that over Christmas break, everything in Dalia’s life had fallen apart. Her dad had lost his job, and it looked as if her “friends” had dropped her the second she lost her connections. Then Ashli heard a rumor that Dalia was signing up for an event at their church. At the end of the church event, Dalia walked forward, completely broken, and truly gave her life to Jesus.

On Monday, Dalia posted a picture on Instagram that she’d been accepted to A&M and had even gotten a full ride for her freshman year. Tuesday, Ashli overheard her best friend chatting with Dalia about being roommates at A&M. On Wednesday night, Dalia was at Ashli’s small group from church. The guy Ashli secretly had a crush on for the entire semester asked her if she thought it would be a good idea for him to ask Dalia to prom. The following Sunday there was a video of Dalia’s testimony shared during the service.



Ashli had *had it*. She made the right choices. Said no to the parties. She’d never even tasted alcohol or tried vaping. She wore the right clothes, was a leader at church, and worked hard at school. And yet Dalia, who until five minutes ago was the poster child for bad decisions, was getting to live her life. *She* was getting everything Ashli wanted (attention, relationships, recognition, etc.) and had been praying for.

Supposedly when you delight yourself in the Lord, He gives you the desires of your heart, but for Ashli nothing seemed fair right now. How was she supposed to process this?

After reading this story, what are two things that stuck out to you the most?

In what ways can you relate to this story?

Have you ever found yourself frustrated that someone else got something you thought you deserved? ☐ YES ☐ NO

What was the situation? How did you handle it?

Have you ever been mad at God for not getting what you deserve? ☐ YES ☐ NO

Did you ever deal with that anger? If so, how?

Are you burnt out from doing the right thing? ☐ YES ☐ NO



Ashli found herself bitter that Dalia received the attention she thought she had earned from “doing the right thing.” Instead of realizing what she had, Ashli compared herself to someone else. Ashli had remained faithful to the Lord in her actions but, in some ways, she allowed bitterness and judgment to creep into her heart. She felt that her right choices had earned her better things than Dalia’s wrong choices should have earned her.

The world around us—friends, media, culture—tells us that putting ourselves and our desires first is the way to find fulfillment ... to find purpose. It’s easy to try to fill this void with the wrong things. But if we aren’t careful, we can do the right things with the wrong motives and miss out on all God has for us. Just as in this story, we can end up feeling bitter and angry, and longing for something more. Although other things may fill the void in our hearts for moments at a time, they won’t fill them for eternity.

Read Luke 15:11–32.

Does this sound familiar? Dalia in this story is just like the Prodigal Son, the son who chose to run away from his family and seek what he thought only money and independence could give him. And Ashli is much like the older brother. The older brother was so distracted by what his brother was getting that he missed out on all he had with his father. If you are reading this story, then there is something about Ashli and the older brother that resonates with you. You may be in a really sweet spot in your walk with Jesus or perhaps you have found yourself frustrated that others seem to get the praise you think you deserve. If you’re growing in your walk with Jesus and striving hard to serve the Lord or if you’re growing weary in doing the right thing, there is much you can learn from the older brother’s reaction to the Father’s love.

If our desire to do what is right is driven by the desire for praise of others or even to try and earn the love of our Father God, we will grow discouraged and angry when we don’t get what we think we deserve. The older brother missed out on what was really the greatest gift that the younger brother received when he repented—a close relationship with the father. The older brother already had that.

Read Romans 5:6–8 and Ephesians 2:4–10.

What does this say about what we deserve and where we should find our identity?

Read Psalm 73:25–26 and Matthew 6:33.

What should we desire above all else?

What do you think keeps you from desiring this?

Which of these do you try to fill your heart with?

- ☐ Friendships

☐ Being Dependable

☐ Relationships

☐ Gaining Praise/Recognition

☐ Vaping

☐ Drugs

☐ Doing the Right Thing

☐ Sex
- ☐ Social Media

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On a scale of 1 (least) to 10 (most), how fulfilled have you been by these things?

You can easily become known by all these things. Our identity, just like the Prodigal Son and the older brother, can be wrapped up in what we are known for. When Ashli didn’t receive the recognition she thought she deserved, and instead someone she deemed unworthy was acknowledged, she lost sight of what mattered. Her identity was wrapped up in how she was perceived and what she received instead of who she is in Christ. Ashli missed an opportunity to rejoice with someone who had finally found her identity in Jesus.

Except here’s the thing: The older brother and Ashli were never overlooked by the father. The father always knew who they were and never forgot them. The father’s love is so great that he could love the Prodigal Son completely while never loving the older brother any less.

What is getting in the way of your growth with the Father (jealousy, pride, burnout, etc.)?

PRAYER

Spend five minutes in prayer. Praying something like this:

God, You know where I struggle the most with my identity and You know why. Nothing is a surprise to You. Nothing catches You off-guard. Today, will You bring to light any ways that I am currently struggling with finding my identity in things (even if they are good things). There will be a day when these “things” fall apart and go away. At that point, what will my identity be built on if not on Your Son? Open my eyes this week to see where I need to trust in who I am and whose I am.

If you don't want to pray the prayer above, just have a conversation with God as you would with your best friend. Prayer is simply talking with God. Although you can't see Him physically, He is listening to your every word. Ask God to begin to turn your heart to Him versus those other things. Finish by asking Him to open your ears and your heart to hear from Him this week.

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FAMILY GROUPS

What stuck out to you during Silent Sounds this morning?

Go back to the question about what you have tried to fill your heart with (Pg. 40 or 45). If you want to share, which one of these do you struggle with the most?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Being Dependable | <input type="checkbox"/> Alcohol |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Relationships | <input type="checkbox"/> Pornography |
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What has the world told you that you are? What activities or accomplishments has the world put on you?

Why is it easy to believe that?

Do you know that is not how God sees you? No, I mean, do you really know that is not how God sees you? Pause. Do you believe that? Knowing and believing are two different things.

From what you know about God and His Word, how does He see you?

In order to know how God sees us, we need to first know how God sees His Son.

Read **Matthew 3:16-17, 17:5-8 and Ephesians 5:1-2.**

Another meaning of this word beloved is “a title of Christians, as dearly loved by God, Christ and one another.”

What does it mean for you to be called beloved by God?

What does it look like for us to “walk in love” the way that Christ loved us?

Read **1 John 3:1-3.**

What do you think of when you hear that you are a child of God? What comes to mind?

According to 1 John 3, what kind of love does the Father give to us?

Why doesn’t the world recognize the children of God?

What is the difference between the world and the children of God?

Read **1 John 3:4-5.**

God saw that this was a huge problem. He loved us enough that He chose to do something about the brokenness in our lives as humans. God sent Jesus to the earth. While on earth, Jesus did some pretty amazing things (his baptism and transfiguration) and told many amazing stories as he taught (just like the Prodigal Son). But the real reason why Jesus appeared was to take away our sins.

Read **Ephesians 1:7-10.**

In Jesus, what do we have?

Would any of you like to find your identity in the sacrifice of Christ today ... right now?

PRAYER

Dinner & DISCUSSION

What is one thing you learned today
about someone else at the table?

What was the best part of today?

What is one thing you took away from
Silent Sounds today?

What do you expect to get out of tonight?

What does God expect out of us tonight?

What is the purpose of worship tonight?

How can you be sure that you get the
most out of tonight?

WORSHIP NOTES & SKETCHES



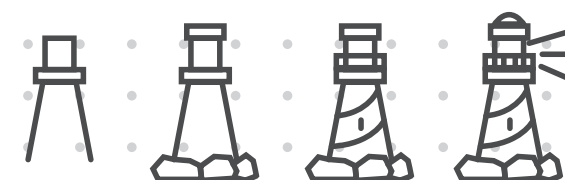
POST WORSHIP

RECAP OF TODAY:

Today we learned how we are considered children of God when we allow Christ to be the Lord and Savior of our lives. We are not only His children, but His beloved children. No matter if you connect with the younger brother or the older brother, you can see how we all desperately need a loving Father. Thankfully, we have Him available to us every single moment we live.

- What was your takeaway from the message tonight?
- How does your testimony/story relate to the story today?
- What is one practical thing you can do in your life tomorrow in response to what he talked about?
- How can we pray tonight for tomorrow?

WORSHIP NOTES & SKETCHES





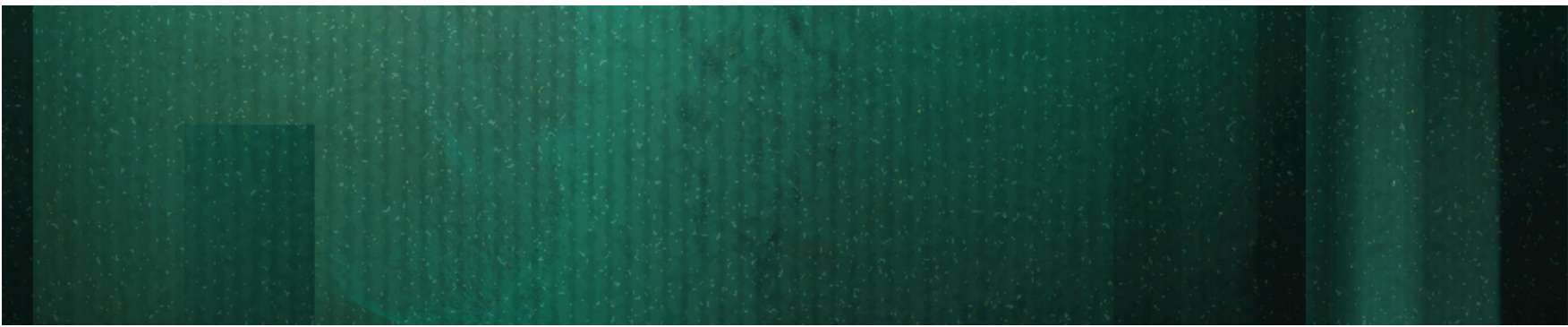
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PROMOTION

SUNDAY, AUG. 15

PROMOTION

KING OF KINGS

BY HILLSONG

This song is the story of the Gospel and response to the Gospel. God the Father, the Creator of the world (Genesis 1:1), sent Jesus to die for our sins because we needed a Savior (2 Corinthians 5:21, 1 Peter 2:24), and if we are born again, the Holy Spirit now dwells within us (2 Timothy 1:14). Apart from God, we are dead and living in darkness, but Jesus was sent so that those who “come to the Father are restored.” When we truly understand that our identity in Christ will lead to true joy, true satisfaction, and ultimate approval, our proper response is to praise the King of Kings. My prayer for you is when you hear this song, remember God’s goodness and let that lead you to worship God for all that He’s done for you and for me.

BY BRODES HARTLEY

WAS

SILENT SOUNDS

One Word for Today—“**Adopted**”

Good morning! Welcome back to the beauty of the ocean and the calming sound of the waves. Ready your heart to hear from God today by looking at the ocean for a moment. Focus on His truth that He will teach you through His Word, the Bible.

Take some time now to read this incredible true story of God’s love about the Drake family (a North Campus family).



The Drake Family, from left to right, back row: Caleb, Dan, Jen, Hannah; front row: Abby, Jacob, and Joshua

Ten years ago, I was standing at my kitchen sink and I felt as though the Lord was telling me I had room in my heart to love another child. This was much to my surprise as we already had three children, but I realized this calling was to something different. He was calling us to a kind of love I had never experienced. A love for a child that would not be biologically ours. A child that would actually come from the other side of the world. A child that had no family, no hope, and no future. They were helpless. They had no idea what a family even looked like, but desperately needed one. They needed a family for both their physical needs and their spiritual needs. These children deeply needed to be shown the love of Jesus. They were in a desperate situation, and the Lord was calling us to help restore their brokenness that was not their fault.

It was undeniable that He was telling us to go, so we began the process to adopt a baby girl from China. We spent almost nine months doing paperwork, and then spent another 18 months waiting to go get our new daughter. While we had never met her, we already loved her. We would talk about, pray for, and even cry over a child we knew nothing about. The Lord truly begins to do a work in your heart that you can't explain. Our heart longed for her to be home. Finally, we got the call and would board a plane to fly across an ocean to meet and bring home our new, 2-year-old, little girl. While the journey was not easy, it was worth every cost.

Three years after that trip to China, we heard in a sermon a story about a war hero who helped save men by carrying them over a wall to safety. While it was a huge struggle, this man kept saying “just one more” as he continued to help these men escape harm’s way. We couldn’t help but think of how this related to our lives as Christians. How we need to bring “one more” to Jesus. We need to bring them to Jesus by any means possible. The Lord began to show us that this meant another adoption for us. He was calling us to bring “one more” to Him by bringing them in our home to become our forever family and raise them to know the love of Christ. So, we began the process of adoption again. And the Lord did again what only He can do and gave us a love for a child we had never met. A love that was willing to do whatever it took to get them home, and this love would last forever. It didn’t matter if they did not share our DNA. God had given us a love that was far stronger than DNA. His love rescues, restores, and redeems and that was the love He was giving us for another child. A year and a half later, we brought home our new son, a three-year-old little boy.

There is more to this story, but hit pause for a moment to **read Ephesians 1:3–6**.

Now let’s look at this passage more closely.

(v. 3) Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places,

You are **BLESSED**.

Paul explains to the church at Ephesus, and now to us, that being part of God’s family comes with all the spiritual blessings we need. Spiritual blessings include being chosen and predestined by God (v. 4), acceptance into God’s family (v. 6), redemption and forgiveness through Jesus’ sacrifice on the Cross (v. 7), and this list could go on and on.

The Drake family was able to provide their adopted children with blessings that they would not have otherwise. Remember how they described the children as having “no family” and “no hope” and “no future” because “they were helpless.” That is exactly how we were without God!

What blessings do you have from God that you would not have without Him?

Take a moment now to write down how grateful you are to God for all His blessings.

(v. 4) even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him. In love...

You are **CHOSEN**.

God had a choice. He decided to choose us and make us part of His family even before He created the world, but we didn’t deserve to be chosen. However, He chose us anyway. Think about that.

The Drakes said, “While we had never met her, we already loved her.” They loved their little girl before they even knew anything about her. Similarly, God loved you before you even existed. There was nothing those children could do to earn the Drakes’ love—and there is nothing you can do to earn God’s love, lose God’s love, or earn a spot in the family of God. You are chosen.

How does it affect your view of yourself and your view of God to think deeply about the fact that He chose you?

Romans 5:8 says, “But God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.” God loved you and Jesus died for you even when you were still sinning. How does knowing that affect you?

How would you explain these truths to others, that they are chosen and loved by God?

(v. 5-6) ...he predestined us for adoption to himself as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace, with which he has blessed us in the Beloved.

You are **ADOPTED**.

Paul uses this analogy of adoption to show how we join God’s family. That is partly because adoption involves choice—God chose us. The word *predestine* means “to decide beforehand,” and when it is being used with God, it means that the decision will stand until eternity. Therefore, God has decided that His adopted children will be part of His family forever.

No matter what your family here on earth looks like—whether you’ve been abandoned or neglected, if you have a great family, or if it’s been broken by divorce—you can know that God’s family is your forever family when you trust in Jesus.

Paul also uses this idea of adoption because it shows the love and purpose that comes along with becoming part of a family. A family such as the Drakes adopts children because they have chosen to love them, even when they didn’t have to love. They give the adopted children a purpose for their lives—both a place to come home to and a direction for their lives to move forward. They filled the kids’ lives with blessings they never imagined. Without having a family, life can feel meaningless. But knowing that you are chosen, that you are loved, and that you have a purpose, that changes everything.

What emotions and struggles do you think adopted children experience? (If you are adopted, what emotions and struggles did you experience before and after your adoption?)

What does it mean for you to be adopted into God’s family, and how should that affect your daily life?

Do you find it difficult to feel as though you belong? How does being a part of God’s family fulfill that longing for you?

Let’s return for the conclusion of the Drake’s story:

When we brought home our daughter and son from China, we gave them new names. Sadly, children in some orphanages are just called by generic “names”; nothing that is specific to the child. When they became part of our family however, we had very specific reasons for the names we gave them. We wanted both their first and middle names to be a reflection of all that God had done in their lives, and in ours. Names that would not only be meaningful to us, but would also allow them to share their testimony one day. Names that show the redemptive love of Christ and the way He pours His love out on us. Not only did their new first and middle names have significance, but by taking on our last name they were legally now a part of our family. They were officially adopted and forever ours. They were 100% part of the Drake family, and we would now forever share in the same heritage. This was huge! They had gone from having nothing and no one to call their own, to a family that would forever love them, and forever be theirs. Forever. No matter what.

Adoption is such an amazing picture of the Gospel. You see, we all were those children with no hope and no future. We were all broken and in desperate need of someone to rescue and restore us. God’s love is so extravagant that we can’t explain or even fully comprehend it. It is a love that would come rescue us no matter the cost. A ransom was paid in the form of torture and death on a cross ... not because we deserved it or earned it, but simply because He loves us that much. It’s mind-blowing really. And that is the love that not only led us to adoption, but also made us more like Christ and gave us a love for children on the other side of the world. Our forever family is only by the goodness, grace, and love of Jesus.

Let this story sink in.



[Read](#) Ephesians 1:1-2 and 11-14.

*(vv. 1-2) Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God,
To the saints who are in Ephesus, and are faithful in Christ
Jesus: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and
the Lord Jesus Christ.*

Paul addresses his letters such as Ephesians “to the saints.” He does not address his letters to sinners, even though that is what we all were. Saints are the family of God chosen to be holy and distinct from the rest of the world. In their story, the Drakes said that they gave their children meaningful names for a specific reason. When you are a child of God, you are called by a new name because you are part of a new family. You are now a “saint.”

How does going from sinner to saint change a person's identity?

*(vv. 11-12) In him we have obtained an inheritance, having
been predestined according to the purpose of him who
works all things according to the counsel of his will, so
that we who were the first to hope in Christ might be to
the praise of his glory.*

When you join God’s family, you also gain an inheritance. Someone who has an inheritance is an *heir*. Not only do you get a new name when you join the family of God, but you get a new inheritance—a blessing that is being handed down to you. You haven’t done anything to earn it.... In fact, you can’t earn it. That inheritance is eternal life. Because we know we have this inheritance, we have hope. People who are not part of the family of God truly do not have hope. The only true hope is in Jesus, who died on the Cross to save us, rose again to give us new life, and is coming back to bring us with Him into eternity.

Why do people who so desperately want hope turn to other things rather than God?

*(vv. 13-14) In him you also, when you heard the word of
truth, the gospel of your salvation, and believed in him,
were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit, who is the
guarantee of our inheritance until we acquire possession
of it, to the praise of his glory.*

You might be wondering ... how do I know I have this new inheritance? Paul explains that when a person hears the Gospel and believes it and is saved, that person receives the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit is the guarantee of the inheritance that we as believers in Jesus will one day receive—eternal life with God. When you spend time in prayer and reading the Bible, you will find that the Holy Spirit is the One who helps you understand what God is teaching you through His Word. The Holy Spirit gives you assurance that you are saved, and that you will one day receive the inheritance of eternal life.

What is the hardest thing for you to grasp in regard to being part of God's family—the new name (saint), the new inheritance (heir), or the new guide (Holy Spirit)?

How can you start to change your mindset about who you are in the family of God?

PRAYER

Close out your Silent Sounds time in prayer. Thank God that nothing can separate you from His love or His family. If you have been a Christian for a while now, take a moment to praise Him and thank Him and show how grateful you are that He rescued you from sin and darkness and adopted you as His child. Pray that other students around you on the beach would be added to the family of God this week. If you have never asked God to make you part of His family, you can do that now. Tell God that you know you are a sinner, and you know He loves you, and you want to be part of His family and will follow Him for the rest of your life. Tell your leader if you prayed for the first time to become a child of God.

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FAMILY GROUPS

Google what your first name means and write down the meaning here:

Read Galatians 2:20.

Let's look at this verse slowly.

“I have been crucified with Christ.”

What is Paul saying here? What does it mean that we have been crucified with Christ?

“It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me.”

What does, "It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me" mean?

Read Ephesians 4:22–24.

What makes this passage hard to understand?

Why is it so hard to put off your old self?

What do you find is the hardest thing for you to get rid of?

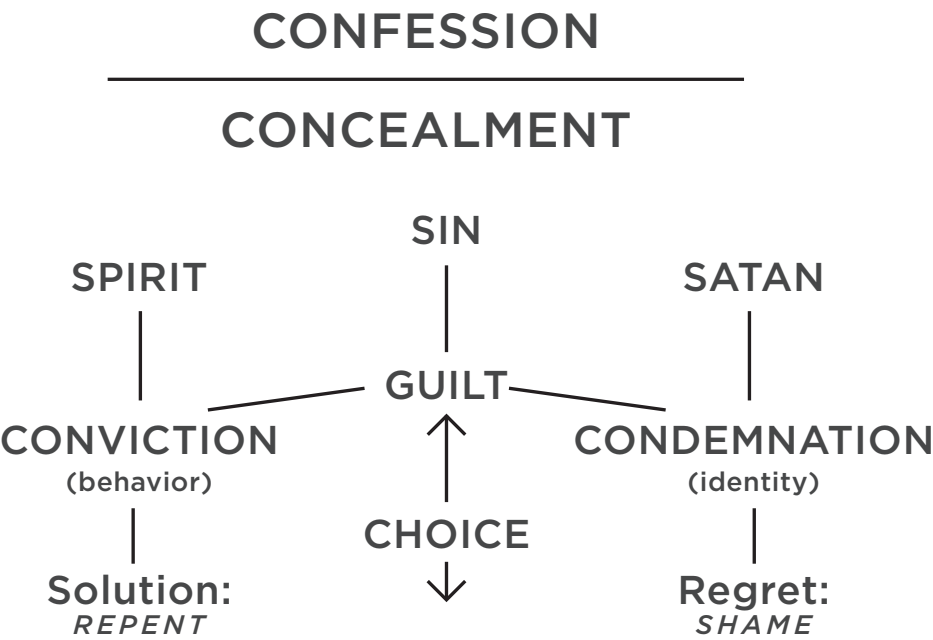
What is the difference between shame and guilt?

There is a difference between shame (condemnation) and guilt (conviction). Guilt is an inner awareness of wrongdoing. Shame is a painful feeling of humiliation or distress caused by a strong sense of guilt. Unfortunately, we live in shame more often than not. Why is this the case? Because Satan always wants to attack your identity. If he can hinder us from the truth of who the Gospel says we are through his lies, he has won.

- Shame is one of his many tactics.
- Shame will deflate your identity.
- Shame will deteriorate your identity.
- Shame will destroy your identity.

What happens when Satan destroys or even deteriorates our identities?

How can we seek repentance over shame?



What do these verses tell us about confessing our sins versus concealing them?

Psalms 32:1-5

James 5:16

1 John 1:9

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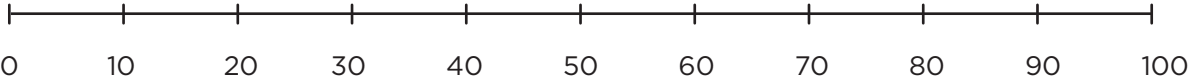
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What do these verses tell us about putting our trust in our emotions versus the Lord?

Proverbs 3:5

Jeremiah 17:9

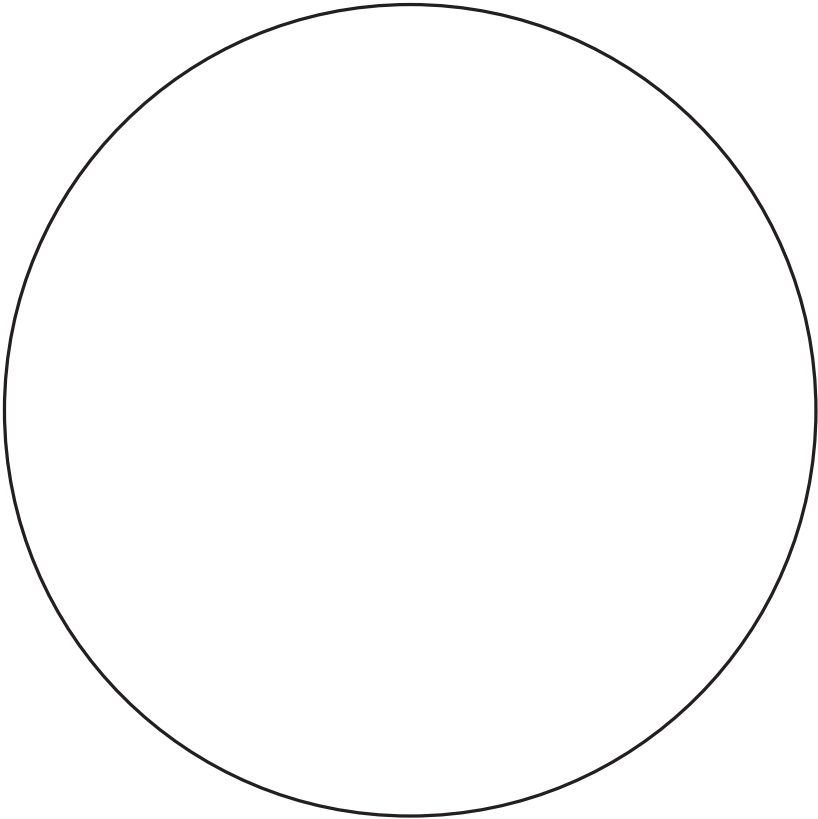
What percentage of your life do you tend to live based on feeling versus fact? Why?



***“And the life I now live in the flesh I live
by faith in the Son of God, who loved
me and gave himself for me.”***

Faith is choosing to live as though God’s Word is true
regardless of circumstances, emotions and cultural trends.

Using this Pie Chart, color in the percentage of your life
that you live by faith.



PRAYER

Lined area for prayer notes.



Dinner & DISCUSSION

PICK THREE

What is one thing you learned today
about someone else at the table?

What was the best part of today?

What is one thing you took away from
Silent Sounds today?

What do you expect to get out of the
message tonight?

What does God expect out of us tonight?

What is the purpose of worship tonight?

WORSHIP NOTES & SKETCHES



POST WORSHIP

RECAP OF TODAY:

Today we talked about how we are adopted into the family of God when we accept Christ as our Lord and Savior. In being adopted, we get to put off our old selves and our old ways of life and put on our new selves. This is because we tend to live in our past guilt and shame, but God has wiped our slates clean and allows us the forgiveness that we most desperately need.

- What was your takeaway from the message tonight?
- Tonight, there were many who gave their lives to Jesus. Take a moment to celebrate that. Ask your group if they made decisions or if they had friends who made decisions.
 - Don't know how to celebrate?
 - Play a *CLEAN* party song on Spotify
 - Have a dance party
 - Make a celebration snack out of stuff you have in your condo
- Why is salvation so significant?
- How does your testimony/story relate to the story today?
- What is one practical thing you can do in your life tomorrow in response to what he talked about?
- How can we pray for tomorrow?

WORSHIP NOTES & SKETCHES



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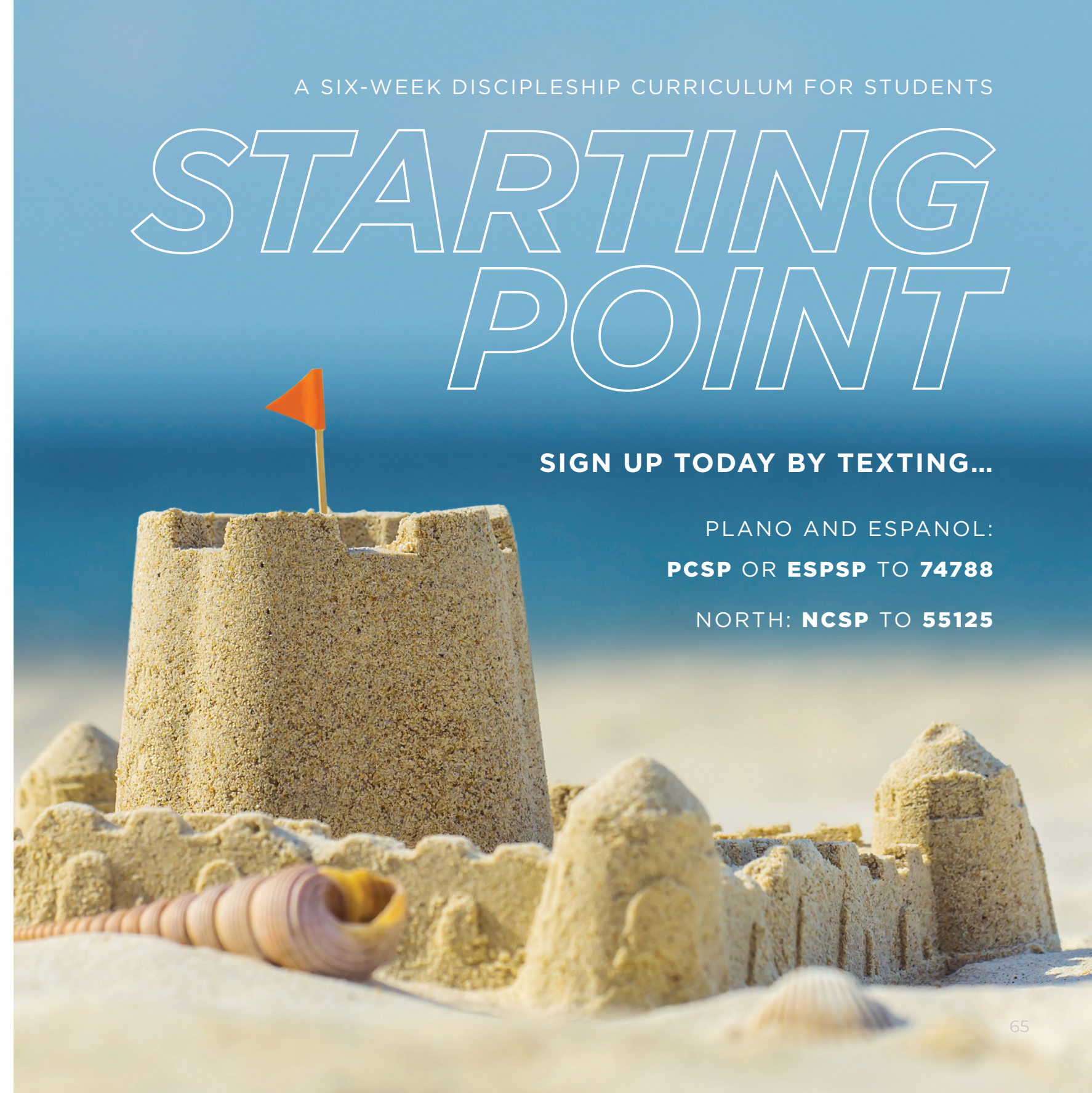
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SILENT SOUNDS

One Word for Today—“**Masterpiece**”

Ridge was in high school when he began to find his love for the arts. He took several classes throughout his freshman year. As he learned more about the fine arts, his skill level grew. During his second semester of sophomore year though, he found something he loved even more.

Through talking to classmates, he learned that Mr. Stevens was a great art teacher. All the students who had taken one of his classes raved about how interesting he made whatever subject he was teaching. It just so happened that this semester he was teaching a higher-level art class about sculpture and pottery. Ridge signed up as soon as classes opened. He went into the class excited about getting to know Mr. Stevens and possibly learning an interesting new skill.

After Christmas break, Ridge showed up to the first day of class. The classroom was toward the back of the school, seemingly buried away in a desolate hallway. When he walked through the door, there was an aroma that hit him in the face like a semi-truck. It smelled of dirt, fire and sulfur. You can imagine it was not a place you wanted to stay longer than a couple of minutes; however, Mr. Stevens was there to greet each student as they came in. He even greeted them by name.

After the first day of class, the odor walking into the room became normal to all the students. It didn't bother them anymore. No matter what Mr. Stevens was teaching, it was fun and interesting. He could make any topic seem easy to understand and come alive with his words. Mr. Stevens did have a quirk though; he called all the students “apprentices.”

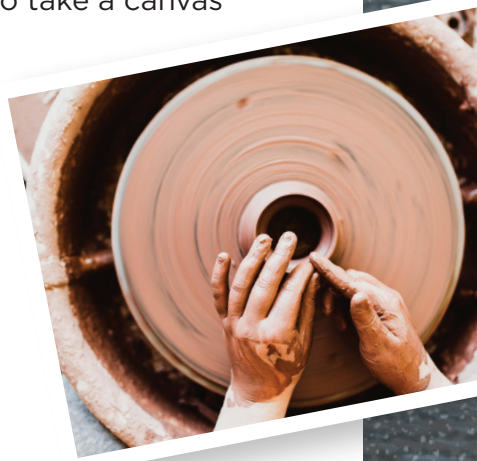


It was a learning process, as he taught the students how to shape and mold clay. Ridge had a hard time with the potter's wheel. He wrestled to get the lump of clay centered on the apparatus. His first tries resulted in the clay flying off the wheel and hitting the floor with a loud thud. Mr. Stevens showed Ridge he was starting the wheel way too fast. You must start it slow and as you learn, you can make it go faster. Ridge also learned that you have to wet your hands every so often if you want your clay to mold rather than stick to them and effectively ruin your work of art.

Over the course of the semester, Ridge began to love this mode of creating something out of nothing. In his art classes, he had learned how to take a canvas and spread colors all over it to paint a picture; however, turning a lump of clay into something beautiful was a different story. There was something fulfilling about using his hands to mold and shape the lump into a vase or a pot or a pencil cup (his first project). If you made a mistake, you could just lump your clay back together and start over. It was a very forgiving medium.

Once Ridge had made several pieces, it was time to move on to the next step in the process. The class learned how to fire and glaze their masterpieces. Once the pottery is done, it is removed from the wheel, which is a small victory in and of itself. Ridge lost a couple of vases trying to remove them from the wheel. Then, each piece is placed in the kiln to be *fired*. Think of a gigantic oven that heats the clay to dry and harden it. After it is fired once, the pot is glazed. This glossy finish makes it waterproof and stronger. Once applied, it is put back in the kiln and fired again. Just like making the pottery on the wheel, there were many mistakes at first, but as Ridge learned and as Mr. Stevens taught him, he became capable of doing it on his own.

This class had quickly become one of his favorites. Why? Two reasons. First, Mr. Stevens. He invested and poured into his students in a way that no other teacher did. He cared to know their names and teach them through their mistakes. Second, the ability to take something with no shape and make it beautiful despite the mistakes made along the way.



What are two ideas that stood out to you about this story?

In what ways can you relate to this story?

This morning, we will look at both an Old Testament example and a New Testament example of how our relationship with our Maker changes us.

Read Jeremiah 18:1-6.

What is the main point you think the Lord is trying to communicate to Israel?

Jeremiah was a prophet in the Old Testament. This means, in part, that the Lord used Jeremiah to speak to God’s people (Israelites). In this instance, the Lord is communicating His desire to change Israel, so they do not continue living as they have before. Let’s look at this passage section by section together as we see how it can change us, too.

Read Jeremiah 18:1-3.

Why do you think the Lord used the image of a potter to communicate His meaning?

What does the creation around you reveal about God (the crashing waves, the warm sand, the bright sun, the beautiful sky)?

Throughout Scripture, we see seemingly “normal” things that God uses to teach us about Himself. The same is true here.

Read Jeremiah 18:4.

What do you think it means for God to reshape us?

Why does God need to reshape us?

Just as the potter reshaped the clay, how have you seen God reshape you?

As Christians, we recognize we are broken and in need of the Lord. We know we are not able to “fix” ourselves, but we can only be changed through the work of God in us. He changes us from the inside out as we grow and learn what it looks like to reflect the image of God more and more. You are flawed just like the clay, but God, the Potter, can still mold you into a beautiful masterpiece.

Now [read](#) **Jeremiah 18:5–6**.

In case the people have missed the message, God makes it clear. He desires to change them, and He desires for them to want this and welcome it.

While many of us know we should be changed by God, our desires don’t always align with this truth.

List some reasons why you don’t always want to be changed by God.

Israel had a choice; they could either surrender to the work of God and be changed by Him so that they could be used by Him, or they could resist the change. Unfortunately, we see time and time again in the Old Testament that Israel often refused to surrender. We are not any different. Our prayer is that your desire to surrender would continue to grow as you experience the life change of the Lord in you.

While the potter and the clay provide a clear example of God’s desire to change us, how do we see this emerge in the New Testament? In the New Testament, we see a new term: “disciple.” The concept wasn’t new, but the term appears to be. The New Testament gives us a clear-cut example of how we see the Lord change us: through spending time with Him.

Whom did Jesus spend his time with? The massive crowds? The poor and helpless? Yes, He certainly spent time with all of those people. But whom would you say Jesus spent the majority of His time with? While Jesus spent time with the crowds, He also spent very intentional time with a group of 12 men—the disciples.

What do you currently know about the disciples of Jesus?

What do you think was the defining factor of being a disciple of Jesus?

Were you tempted to list all of the qualifications the disciples surely must have had in order to be considered one of Jesus’ select 12? While there were certainly reasons why Jesus chose each man, what defined this group of men wasn’t necessarily their qualifications, but rather whom they spent time with. The disciples weren’t a group of spiritually elite men who had risen among the ranks of those around them. Rather, Jesus’ disciples were called because they were simply those who spent time with Him. While the crowds around Jesus left frequently, the disciples never did. Earlier we learned that Ridge was an apprentice because he followed and learned from Mr. Stevens. The disciples were similar to apprentices.

What do you think was the purpose of being a disciple of Jesus?

In the Gospels, we see examples of Jesus being with His disciples. Read the verses below for several examples of how Jesus was with His disciples at different points in His ministry.

After this Jesus and his disciples went into the Judean countryside, and he remained there with them and was baptizing. —John 3:22

During Jesus’ ministry, He not only ministered to people, but spent intentional time with His disciples.

On their return the apostles told him all that they had done. And he took them and withdrew apart to a town called Bethsaida. —Luke 9:10

After His disciples returned from ministering to people, Jesus took them to another place to minister to the disciples themselves.

Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age. —Matthew 28:19–20

Jesus began ministry with His disciples by being with them and then sending them out with the same reminder. This is called the Great Commission. It is what we, as believers, are called to do, and it is part of what defines us as followers of Christ. This commission would be possible because of the presence of the Holy Spirit within the disciples, and the same is true for us today. You cannot effectively live a life for the Lord or serve Him without His presence. Jesus modeled this for us with His disciples, and the rest of Scripture testifies to the transforming work of God in the life of a believer.

How would the disciples’ ministry have been different if Jesus had just been with them long enough to give them only a few instructions before sending them out?

Why is our relationship with Jesus not a task, but the starting point to living for Him?

The outpouring of your walk with Christ starts from your relationship with Him. It will never start from a task list or a pressure to perform. The relationship changes it all and will be the only thing that will continue to change you as you leave Beach Camp and enter into the everyday, ordinary life of living out your relationship with the Lord. Just as Ridge loved making pottery because of his teacher, our desire is that you love living for God because of your relationship with Him.

PRAYER

In the space below, write out a prayer to the Lord asking Him to give you a desire to be changed by Him. Confess any hesitancies you have and ask Him to show you why He can be trusted.

FAMILY GROUPS

Go back to your prayer time as you ended your Silent Sounds (Pg. 90). What hesitancies did you confess about trusting God?

How can we do this successfully? What are some pitfalls we can see coming?

Let’s go to the Old Testament.

Read Micah 6:8.

Let’s look at this line by line.

“He has told you, O man, what is good; and what does the LORD require of you”

What do you think God might want His people to change? If this was directed at teenagers your age, what directions do you think would be given?

Let's keep reading.

“but to do justice,”



EXTERNALLY

How can we “do justice” to those around us? In other words, what does it mean to be just?



INTERNALLY

How is God working this in your heart?



PRACTICALLY

Here are some thoughts...

- Serve a local organization in the area that fights for the justice of others.
 - » Grace Bridge, BridgeBuilders, etc.
- Promote justice in your school. Stick up for someone on whom you usually turn your back.
- Lead a life of advocacy for those who can't speak for themselves.
- ENGAGE in what is going on around you! If you see something wrong, inappropriate or unjust, you must ENGAGE.
- Stand up for the right thing.
- Take care of widows and orphans (James 1:27).
- Speak up for those who have no voice, such as the unborn.
- Speak truth even when it's unpopular.
- Uphold one another, and rebuke your brothers entangled with sin.
- Be the example of Jesus in all things.
- See the opposite of violence, oppression, fraud, lying or injustice.
- Be authoritative.
- Be holy.
- Be righteous.
- Be full of integrity.

What is your action step for next week? How will you do it?

“and to love kindness,”



EXTERNALLY

What is kindness? How have you been shown kindness in the past?

When have you found it hard to show kindness to someone?



INTERNALLY

How is God working this in your heart?



PRACTICALLY

Here are some thoughts...

- Seek out ways to show others a godly love.
- Serve others no matter what the circumstance.
- Love others without getting anything in return.
- Go out of your way to help strangers.
- Treat your enemies with compassion.
- Don't just *be* kind, but *love being kind*.
- Out of appreciation and awe of the kindness extended to us through Jesus, we show kindness to others.
- It's more than just being a "good" person and a "kind" person; it's about being Jesus to others because you know what Jesus means to you.
- Love kindness—Ask the Lord to give you a heart of kindness toward others. Ask Him to help you desire it.
- Show kindness—Show kindness to people you have different levels of friendships with — strangers, class friends, teammates, best friends, family. To whom have you lacked in showing kindness?
- Serve someone in a new way every week. Get creative in showing kindness.
- Encourage kindness in others.
- Be sacrificial.
- Be loving.
- Be compassionate.

What is your action step for next week? How will you do it?

“and to walk humbly with your God?”



EXTERNALLY

Think about walking with someone. Normally when we do this, our minds automatically go to walking on the beach or on a trail in the mountains. When you walk with someone, you are close by them. They can hear your voice. They can see you. They can tell when you are getting tired or when you want to ask them a question. They are close enough to know when something is wrong. They can catch you when you fall and help you walk when you are weak. This is the idea Micah is communicating here. This is how we should be living our daily lives as we are walking with God. We should be close enough for Him to know how we are and what's going on in our lives.



INTERNALLY

How is God working this in your heart?



PRACTICALLY

Here are some thoughts...

- Think of yourself less and God more (John 3:30).
- Confess sin to Him.
- Ask Him to teach you.
- Submit yourself to others around you who want to help you grow.
- Pray consistently.
- Have others hold you accountable.
- Study His Word (text DEVO to 74788).
- Rely on Him.
- Show reverence.
- Know there's nothing we can do without Him.
- Walk with integrity, and walk with God in the light and in the shadows.
- Join the LEAD Team at Prestonwood Students.
- Always have a spirit of gratitude and deep reverence and a posture of humility in your heart.
- Always think highly of Him (Romans 1:5—It's all for His name's sake!).
- Meditate on His Word. Delight in His precepts.
- Understand that our God should always be in front of us, not behind us.
- Be spiritual.
- Be faithful.
- Be obedient.

What is your action step for next week? How will you do it?

"He has told you, O man, what is good; and what does the LORD require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?" — Micah 6:8

PRAYER

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WKND LIFEGROUPS

PLANO CAMPUS

SUNDAYS, 9:30 AND 11:00 AM

JHigh in the Sports & Fitness Center | HS in the Student Ministry Building

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NORTH CAMPUS

SUNDAYS, 9:30 AND 11:00 AM

In the Student Ministry Building

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PRESTONWOOD EN ESPAÑOL

Piano Campus
SUNDAYS, 12:45 PM
In the High School Lobby

Lewisville Campus
SUNDAYS, 12:45 PM
At Northview Baptist Church

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WORSHIP NOTES & SKETCHES



POST WORSHIP

RECAP OF TODAY:

- Today we discussed the idea that we are a masterpiece made by God. Although this process requires change, it's for our best. God wants us to be more and more like Him in all that we are and do. We are given three commands as Christ followers: to do justice, show kindness, and walk humbly with God.
- Baptisms were amazing! Celebrate anyone who was baptized.
 - » Take a selfie and post it on social media.
 - » Sing a celebration song.
 - » Bake cookies!
- Does anyone want to share a decision that he or she made this week (big or small)?
- How did God answer the question from Monday's devotional: Where does Jesus want to take you this week?
- What's the biggest lesson God taught you this week?
- How can we pray for you?

RECAP

Take some time to go back through your Silent Sounds, Family Groups, and Night Worship and write down one thing that you took away from each time. Use this page in the future as a reminder of all that God taught you this week!

Monday Devotional—*Who Is God?*

Monday Worship

Tuesday Silent Sounds—*Child*

Tuesday Family Groups—*Child*

Tuesday Worship

Wednesday Silent Sounds—*Adopted*

Wednesday Family Groups—*Adopted*

Wednesday Worship

Thursday Silent Sounds—*Masterpiece*

Thursday Family Groups—*Masterpiece*

Thursday Worship

Friday Devotional—*“Can’t Go Back”*



FALL EVANGELISM

BLOCK PARTY

Sunday, September 19

@PLANO AND NORTH CAMPUSES

PASTOR JACK GRAHAM AND OUR STUDENT STAFF

desire to see our students and families join us for corporate worship and help create a vibrant worship environment every Sunday at the *opposite hour you and your student attend a LifeGroup*. We would love to have your student, your family, and even your students' LifeGroup join us in the **student section** inside the Worship Center as we worship the Lord together!

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6801 W. Park Blvd.
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Sunday Worship Services
9:30 and 11:00 a.m.

LifeGroups

Wednesday 6:45 p.m. • Sunday 8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 a.m.

NORTH CAMPUS

1001 W. Prosper Trail
Prosper, Texas 75078

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PRESTONWOOD EN ESPAÑOL

Sunday Worship Service 2:00 p.m.

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Grupos de Vida

Wednesday 6:45 p.m.
Sunday 11:00 a.m. and 12:45 p.m.

Lewisville Campus

@ Northview Baptist Church
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Grupos de Vida

Wednesday 7:00 p.m.
Sunday 12:45 p.m.

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