

Change Is Good

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Small Group Homework and Outline

Week of February 7, 2016

God Does the Work of Covenant

Matthew 1:1; Genesis 17:10-14, Genesis 17:15-27

Abraham Responded in Faith

Romans 4:18-21, Matthew 4:19

Now What? How Do We Respond?

Surrender to Jesus

Romans 6:23, Acts 2:21, Acts 4:12, Deuteronomy 10:16, Acts 2:38, Romans 6:3,

Walk Before God

Be Obedient

James 1:22

Small Group Homework

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(Questions and Scriptures for Reflection and Study)

Getting Started...

1. Take a moment and look back over the outline from last week's sermon. What point, illustration, or idea did you need to hear most?
2. What are some times in your life where you have experienced change (moving to a new city, sending a child off to college, getting married, etc.)? How do you typically respond to change or things that are "different" from what you are used to?

Into the Bible

3. Read Genesis 17. What is the everlasting covenant that God gives to Abraham and his offspring? What is the sign of this covenant?

Believing in the promises of God, Abraham's faith leads him to respond through the act of circumcision. Has your faith in God's promises ever led you to action? What did that look like?

4. Psalm 119:1 says, "Blessed are those whose way is blameless, who walk in the law of the LORD!" In Genesis 17, God calls Abraham to walk before Him and be blameless. What does this mean and what does it look like in your life?
5. Read Matthew 15:29-31. What is the response of the people to Jesus' healing of many? What response do you have to the works of God in your life?

Sermon Application

6. Set aside some time this week for personal bible study and prayer. During that time follow these directions:
 - a. Read 2 Corinthians 5:17-18 and Ephesians 2:1-10.
 - b. What work has God done in your life? Be specific as you think and pray over this. How has God changed your life?
 - c. Would you consider sharing your story with your small group this week?
7. Memorize James 1:22- "Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says."

Prayer Requests

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Upcoming Events

Men's Encounter

Sign up at wichitamensencounter.com or the Info Center

Make plans now to attend the upcoming Wichita Men's Encounter, February 26-28! It's more than a group of men talking about God, it's about establishing a relationship with God through Jesus Christ.

KIDS Volunteers Needed

Contact: rschneider@riverlawn.org or 838-9388

Our check-in space is growing and we are looking for volunteers! We have two areas where help is needed: #1. Visitor computer – computer experience is necessary and the gift of working under pressure. #2. Help visitors find classes – no experience necessary just a smile. Please contact Renee if you are interested or have any questions!