

# JESUS WILL NOT FAIL

John 11.45-57 // March 7, 2021

## PUTTING WORDS IN HIS MOUTH

The Jews were ruled by the Romans, who allowed a degree of “home rule” for the Jews, but largely kept their freedoms and autonomy at bay. With Jesus’ rising popularity, this threatened Israel’s national security, as sects of zealots were getting excited about this miracle working hero being able to free them from the tyranny of Rome. Caiaphas, the High Priest, made the statement that it would be better to put down Christ rather than have the nation suffer under Rome.

Though Caiaphas speaks on his own volition, God’s Word tells us also that it was not “of his own accord.” God had purposed Caiaphas to unwittingly prophesy about what Jesus would actually accomplish by the end of the week.

## WHAT IS PASSOVER?

In Exodus 12 we see the first Passover, when God allowed anyone who would put the blood of an unblemished lamb on their doorpost that He might “pass over” them, rather than take the life of their first born.

This would act as a “place holder” for believing Jews. Though a lamb could not ultimately satisfy the wrath of God (since it was not a lamb that sinned against God), but in His mercy and patience He would allow this “credit” to be temporarily applied as they waited in faith in the hope that God would eventually provide the true Lamb of God to take away their sins.

**There is only one hope for me:**

**that the infinite wisdom of God might make a way for the love of God  
to satisfy the wrath of God so that I might become a son of God.**

-John Piper

## GOD’S PLANS CAN’T BE THWARTED

John 1.12, 13, 6.37 // Acts 2.22-24

Jesus didn’t simply die to make salvation only “possible.” It wasn’t just to provide an “opportunity” for salvation. He actually came with the purpose to “gather into one the children of God who are scattered abroad.” He had a particular purpose, and the only way to hear “well done, good and faithful servant” from His Father would be to actually accomplish the task; to not lose a single one, to save “all that the Father had given Me,” and to “give them salvation,” not just the opportunity for salvation.

**Jesus died not just so that some would *hopefully* be saved.  
Jesus died in order to *definitely* save.**

## NOTES:

### This Week’s Scripture to Memorize:

**Proverbs 28:9**

If one turns away his ear from hearing the law, even his prayer is an abomination.

## ARE YOU NEW HERE?

### WELCOME TO LIFE MISSION!

We’d love for you to **fill out a Connection Card** so we can welcome you and answer any questions you may have. You can drop it in the offering basket during the service or take it to one of our teammates at the **Connection Booth** outside. Feel free to grab some coffee and snacks in the courtyard and hang out. We hope you’ll **join us next Sunday** and consider making us your church family.

### WHAT ABOUT THE KIDS?

Our childrens’ ministry, which we call **Kids on Mission**, has classes for **newborns - 5th grade**. We have a great team of volunteers who have all been screened with background checks for extra security. Each week your child will get to **worship** with their class, followed by an **age-appropriate lesson** that points them towards Jesus and helps root them in the Word of God.

Visit our website to read more about the vision of Kids on Mission and a walkthrough of our curriculum. If you have any questions, email **Amber Willis at [amber@lifemission.tv](mailto:amber@lifemission.tv)**

### JUNIOR HIGH & HIGH SCHOOL

Our **6th - 8th graders** begin each Sunday by **worshipping with the adults** and then head to their classroom with their teacher and classmates for the rest of service. Visit our website to read more about our junior high ministry and a walkthrough of our curriculum.

Our **9th-12th graders stay in the service** with the adults because we believe that it is crucial for them to not “graduate the faith” when they graduate high school.

For more information about our Junior High & High School ministries, email **Tyler Willis at [tyler@lifemission.tv](mailto:tyler@lifemission.tv)**.



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## COMMUNITY GROUP HOMEWORK

Before group starts, who can share the **Memory Verse**?

Read **John 11.45-57**. What stands out in this passage, and what stuck out to you most from the sermon on Sunday?

How does the “definiteness” of God’s plan affect your view of evangelism, your own salvation, and even the ever-changing circumstances and climate of our society and nation?

### Your Life Mission

Which relationships or get-togethers might be in your future that you would like prayer for, to help them hopefully see their need for the Good Shepherd in their lives? It can be easy to become discouraged, but we know that God’s plans for them can’t be thwarted, and therefore we go with boldness and comfort knowing that He will put the words in our mouths, and that He can turn the hearts of kings.

End the evening in a time of prayer, praying through the theme of the night using the **P.R.A.Y.** model with your group. Pray for these people you have mentioned and for your heart and plan as you pursue them in love.

- **Preaching the Gospel to Yourself** (Matthew 6.9, 10)
  - Always begin your time of prayer focusing on God’s goodness, who He is, and what He has done for us. Pray truths from this week’s text.
- **Repent and Confess** (Matthew 6.12)
  - Real repentance begins where blame-shifting stops. Your circumstances don’t need to change, your heart needs to change. Confess any particular sin that prevents you from walking out what God calls us to in the text, or any other particular sin you are wanting to fight. Ask Him to help you have strength to repent and run towards Him.
- **Ask for Provision** (Matthew 6.11-13)
  - Ask God for new perspective and for the things that you need. Once our hearts are fixed on Him, we can ask Him to help us with our needs. When your heart is begin filled with the Gospel first, your asking will be far more in line with God’s desires and will. Ask Him to work in the relationships in your life that you are hoping to share God’s love with.
- **Yield with Thanksgiving** (Matthew 6.10)
  - End your prayer by giving God thanks for His faithfulness and ask Him to help you trust and yield to His work and ways.



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