

THE RISEN TEMPLE

John 2.17-22 // April 17, 2022

CLEAN ENOUGH?

Most people believe, in some form or fashion, that the afterlife can be achieved by those who are good enough. This seems logical, but if this were the case (and to some degree, it *is* the case), it would be very, very bad news. Imagine you have to clean your home to host a party for royalty. Once you've cleaned, they send in a CSI Unit to inspect. This would be terrible! Concerning the afterlife, we ought to ask "how clean is clean enough?"

Romans 3.12, 23 // Isaiah 59.2 // Luke 18.19

THE GOOD NEWS

Though it is impossible for us to be "clean enough" to be an acceptable "Temple" for Holy God to walk among, this same God, who is also rich in mercy, chose to come up with a rescue plan to rescue people from that hopeless reality that had no solution.

John 3.16-18 // Romans 6.23 // 1 Corinthians 6.9-11

Christ came to set you free, heal your broken heart, save the worst of sinners, give mercy and grace to those who are His enemies, bring hope to the hopeless, and healing to the hurting and the mourning.

A PERFECTLY CLEANSED TEMPLE

You and I have been given something to put our hope in. But you should not have a false hope! Don't think you will fool His CSI inspection! Our sin must be dealt with, and either you and I can try to cleanse our own sin, or we can put our trust and faith in His Son, Jesus, believing that He took on our sin and died in our place and was raised as the perfect Temple of God. God's Word is clear: there is no such thing as being "on the fence," you must be born again (John 3.3).

Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life.

Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, Do you believe this?"

John 11:25

For we are the temple of the living God; as God said,

"I will make my dwelling among them and walk among them,
and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.

2 Corinthians 6:16

The Gospel "ABC's"

Admit you have sinned against God.

Believe that Jesus alone can save you.

Confess and believe that He is Lord and Savior

NOTES:

This Week's Scripture to Memorize:

Psalms 51:1-2

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin!

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**

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**.

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COMMUNITY GROUP HOMEWORK

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

Read **John 2.17-22** and **2 Corinthians 6:16**. What stands out in this passage and from the sermon on Sunday?

Preaching the Gospel to Yourself

The past week always proves to be a spiritual roller coaster. From the sadness of Good Friday, to the celebration of Easter Sunday, what aspects of this past week most deepen and enliven your passion for the Gospel?

Your Life Mission

Our world is filled with people who believe that by being "good enough" or "clean enough," they will make it into heaven. But we have been given the truth of the Gospel, and we have been given our marching orders to share this Good News. What conversations do you need to initiate and pray for so that you can possibly be used by the Lord to be His Ambassador and herald of His Good News?

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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WHO ARE SAVED, EQUIPPED, AND SENT BY THE GOSPEL.



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