STRENGTH IN WEAKNESS

Ecclesiastes 7.19-24 // June 30, 2019

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In a time and place when "follow your heart" seems to be the "good news" message being preached virtually everywhere we must have our Gospel lenses continually cleared up giving us the right biblical vision. The first step on the pathway to wisdom is to not see ourselves as the "answer", but instead as part of the "problem".

When GK Chesterton was questioned by the Times in 1908.... What's wrong with the world? He wrote back....

Dear Sir,

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Sincerely Yours,

GK Chesterton

Romans 3:10-12 // Romans 5:6-8 // Hebrews 4:15 // 2 Corinthians 5:21 // 1 Corinthians 1:23-24, 30

THE UPSIDE DOWN

If wisdom is our strength (verse 19), but impossible to find (verse 24), how can we find what cannot be found?

Godly wisdom is found by having our minds turned upside down....

- 1. Acknowledging we are the problem. (James 4:10 // Luke 14:11)
- 2. Acknowledging that Jesus is the solution.
- 3. Tapping into Godly Wisdom
 - Word (Solitude, meditation, journaling, worshipping)
 - Prayer (Ask for Wisdom while waiting patiently)
 - Community (Wise Gospel counsel // Fight Clubs)

The wisdom of God gives us strength, because it allows us to see ourselves the way God sees us, and then gives us the power not within us to bring glory to God.

2 Corinthians 12:9-10 // James 4:10



This Week's Scripture to Memorize:

1 John 3:23

And this is his commandment, that we believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us.

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 worshiping 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 Ecclesiastes 7.19-24. What stands out in this passage, and what stuck out to you most from the sermon on Sunday?

Preaching the Gospel to Yourself

Read Romans 3:10-12, 3:23, 5:6-8, Hebrews 4:15 and 2 Corinthians 5:21. These explicit Gospel passages show us who we are, who Jesus is and what He has done for us. How does the Gospel clear the help us to see live through the right lens?

Repent and Ask for Provision

Ask your spouse or a friend the ways of which you act self-righteous or ways that you fall short. Then list each one out, then confess asking God to forgive you for not trusting in the righteousness of Christ and to grant you wisdom and the right Gospel perspective.

Your Life Mission

If wisdom is our strength (verse 19), but impossible to find (verse 24), how can we find what cannot be found?

What opportunities or conversations or social settings with nonbelievers are on the horizon or in your calendar that you could use prayer for, that God has ordained you to cross paths with? How can your group be praying for the people in your life that you love and care for?

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. Make sure to end your time of prayer Yielding with Thanksgiving for God's sovereignty and plan for your life.



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