

## CHOSEN BY GRACE

John 17.6-12 // August 22, 2021

### GIVEN FROM THE FATHER TO THE SON

John 6.44, 63 // John 1.12, 13

It is not just a heart-warming, sentimental thing that the Father gave us to the Son. This was necessary, because God's Word make it clear that without this happening, we could never go to Christ for salvation.

**Your wickedness makes you as it were heavy as lead, and to tend downwards with great weight and pressure towards hell; and if God should let you go, you would immediately sink and swiftly descend and plunge into the bottomless gulf, and your healthy constitution, and your own care and prudence, and best contrivance, and all your righteousness, would have no more influence to uphold you and keep you out of hell, than a spider's web would have to stop a falling rock.**

-Jonathan Edwards

But because of His own mercy and grace towards us, He has chosen us before the foundation of the world, and gave us to Christ to be saved.

John 6.37-40

### ADOPTION AS HIS CHILDREN

Ephesians 1.3-6

An orphan has no "right" to tell prospective parents that they must adopt him. Adoption is the will of the parents who graciously choose to take in a helpless child. But for the child to be welcomed into their home and across borders, certain things must take place: paperwork, financial exchange, etc., in order for the child to take on the family's last name so that he or she can travel freely. Likewise, for us to be welcomed into the Kingdom and family of God, an exchange must take place, and we must receive our "new name" as "child of God."

Galatians 1.15, 16 // 1 Peter 1.3-5, 23-25

### SIGNED, SEALED, DELIVERED... I'M YOURS!

Ephesians 1.11-14

The Lord keeps us because He has sealed us with the promised Holy Spirit. He gave us to His Son, and His Son has not lost any, because no one is stronger than He is. And He will keep us until the day that we acquire possession of our inheritance.



## NOTES:

### This Week's Scripture to Memorize:

**Ephesians 3:20-21**

Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, 21 to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

## 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 17.6-11**. What stands out in this passage and from the sermon on Sunday?

### Preaching the Gospel to Yourself

There is so much sadness and grief among us these past couple weeks. It is often hard to really "believe" the Gospel when our hearts are clouded. What truths in this section are hard for you to believe, and which ones are breaking through the sorrow and giving you something to cling to?

### Your Life Mission

In what ways will you seek to be a blessing to those around you in the coming weeks? Is it someone who is hurting, or someone in your life who doesn't know Christ yet? Which conversations are upcoming that you need prayer and wisdom for as you take part in the Great Commission of our Savior?

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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