

PREVENTATIVE MAINTENANCE

Ecclesiastes 10.5-18 // August 11, 2019

BAKING A CAKE

Exegesis: "excavating" the meaning and interpretation of a text.

Expository: "exposing" the purpose, goal, and truth of the text.

A sermon should teach the mind, but also preach to the heart.

A cake with the right balance of "structural" ingredients, like flour and egg, and "flavorful" ingredients, like caramel and chocolate, work together to make a balanced, structurally sound, substantial, but distinctively flavorful cake for a celebration. Every sermon should be rooted in explaining the foundational meaning of the original author's intent, but also explained in a way that exposes timeless truth to the modern listener to enjoy and ingest.

DULLED BLADES

When we work and toil, if we do it haphazardly, carelessly, or without proper preparation, we can find ourselves overworking, exhausted, or worse off.

But even when we find ourselves in those dry spots, exhausted and ready to quit, we can be assured that even these times of weakness are meant to grow us and change us.

2 Corinthians 1.8, 9

CATCH MY DRIFT

Matthew 11.28-30 // Psalm 119.9-12

Our drifting begins with a slight deviation only one degree. In the beginning, it's not a big deal, it's only one degree. But one degree in the same trajectory over years becomes *far* more than one degree. Before you know it, you are so off track you don't even recognize where you were got off track.

Thankfully, by God's grace, just like our GPS devices, He will recalculate our route and get us on the right path. He is faithful to continue and complete the work that He began in us.



NOTES:

This Week's Scripture to Memorize:

Hebrews 12:11

For the moment all discipline seems painful rather than pleasant, but later it yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness to those who have been trained by it.

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 **Ecclesiastes 10.5-18**. What stands out in this passage, and what stuck out to you most from the sermon on Sunday?

Preaching the Gospel to Yourself

How does the Gospel help you not to drift or get off course? Why is it so important to know and memorize various Gospel truths?

Repent and Ask for Provision

In what ways do you think you have begun a small "drift," maybe eve of only one degree? What preventative things ought you do to get back on track with your GPS?

Your Life Mission

God has called each and every one of us to reach out to friends and neighbors for the sake of the Gospel. But we are all different. What ways might you think God would or could use you for to share the Gospel with others? Is it through work, social circle, sports based? Make it your aim to pray for those opportunities more and more.

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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