

REJECTING JESUS

John 6.59-71 // September 27, 2020

YOU DON'T "GOT THIS"

Speaking in the synagogue, Jesus made some big claims, and these claims proved to be too difficult for some of His disciples to take in. In turn, they grumbled and walked away from Jesus.

Jesus said, "it is the Spirit that gives life, the flesh is of no help at all." To truly follow Jesus, we can't "dig deep" and just say, "I got this," because that is just self-strength. Our flesh is of no help at all. To truly follow Jesus with real faith, this only comes a gift from the Spirit.

Romans 7.18 // Matthew 26.41

"CHRISTIAN" REJECTION

- **SELF-RIGHTEOUS CHRISTIAN = GMO Fruit:** Matthew 7.15-20, 23.37, 28
 - Knowledge that puffs up, but lacks love that builds up
 - Righteous on the outside, but cold, condescending on the inside.
 - Lacks humility, empathy
- **JESUS FANS = Plastic Fruit:** Matthew 7.21-23 // Romans 2.28, 29
 - "Good" moral people
 - Look to Jesus to improve their life and elevate them
 - Jesus is more like a good luck charm or genie in a bottle
- **NO-CHANGE "CHRISTIAN" = Rotten Fruit:** Matthew 7.21-23
 - Look like the world around them
 - Don't depend on God but expect some "fire insurance"

WHERE ELSE SHOULD WE GO?

We will all have our doubts and production of various bad fruit. However, if we come to know and see that Jesus truly is the Holy One of God and the Bread of Life, through faith we can cling to Him and His promises and not turn away from Him. But our faith isn't found in our own selves; "faith comes by hearing, and hearing through the Word of Christ."

Matthew 16.24-26 // 2 Corinthians 13.5 // Romans 10.17
1 Peter 1.23 // 2 Timothy 3.16, 17 // John 17.17

You can't know Jesus if you don't know His Word.

You can't love Him if you don't love His Word.

You can't follow Him if you don't follow His Word.



NOTES:

This Week's Scripture to Memorize:

Romans 5:9

Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God.

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 6.59-71**. What stands out in this passage, and what stuck out to you most from the sermon on Sunday?

This is a sobering section of Scripture, but we can be thankful for the Gospel “campaign promises” in the previous verses! That said, we also must take into account this sobering reality that “many who say, ‘Lord, Lord’” don’t actually know Jesus. What Gospel truths in this section of Scripture or sermon give you hope and assurance to continue clinging on to Jesus?

Your Life Mission

What relationships or conversations are upcoming that you could use prayer 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.

- **Preaching the Gospel to Yourself**
 - 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**
 - 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**
 - Once our hearts are fixed on Him, we can ask Him to help us with our needs. Ask Him to work in the relationships in your life that you are hoping to share God’s love with.
- **Yield with Thanksgiving**
 - 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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