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Seeking Holiness In The Sermon on the Mount

Matthew 5-7 is popularly known as the Sermon on the Mount. This text has long been recognized as the pinnacle of Jesus' teaching and presents a high ideal for living. Some, however, consider Jesus' teachings too lofty or idealistic to fulfill and thus conclude that his teachings cannot offer much practical guidance for everyday life.

Maybe the reason some despair of being able to follow the teachings of the Sermon on the Mount is that they see the sermon as a mirror. When they view their reflection in this mirror, they see mostly inadequacies. They may view the sermon as God's microscope for examining our lives. When God looks at us in this way, we all look small and full of flaws.

What if, however, the sermon is a window? When we look through a window, we see beyond the room where we are standing. We see beyond the house where we live. We see the larger world. If we view this sermon as a window, then we can see beyond our own failures. We can see life in the light of God's intention for our lives.

On Wednesday nights, we are beginning a new Bible study that will help us see through the window of the Sermon on the Mount in order to gain a fuller vision of life as God intends it. Through five lessons, we will seek holiness in Jesus' sermon.

Bible translators use the English word "holy" to translate the Hebrew (*godesh*) and Greek (*hagios*) terms that mean something "set apart" or "different." Certainly, the Bible teaches that God's people are to be different and called to a higher standard. The English word "holy," however, has an interesting history. It comes from the German word *heil*, which refers to something unbroken, healthy, or complete. Our word "whole" comes from the same root. "Holiness" and "wholeness" have something in common. Holiness, being set apart as God's people, is rooted in wholeness, being healthy or complete.

The Sermon on the Mount can help us become holy by helping us find wholeness. Looking through this

window, we can see a whole picture. We can see how the parts of life fit together. We can gain a unified new of ourselves in God's world.

Our Wednesday night lessons will include:

April 10

"Holiness as a State of Being"
Matthew 5:1-16

April 17

"Holiness that Exceeds Our Expectations"
Matthew 5:17-48

April 24

"Holiness in Relation to Religion"
Matthew 6:1-18

May 1

Church Conference

May 8

"Holiness and the Priorities of Life"
Matthew 6:19-34



Free Dental Bus & Vision Screening

RBC & Person Family Medical is hosting a Free Dental Clinic and Vision Screening on Saturday, April 13 from 8 AM to 2 PM here at the church. If you know anyone that needs an appointment, please have them call 336-599-9248 to make one.

Remember in Prayer

Christian Sympathy to Sarah Childers in the death of her sister, Elizabeth Gunselman on 4/6.



Christian Sympathy to Beverly Laws in the death of her nephews, David & Daryl Griffin, 4/2.

Christian Sympathy to Bettie Garrett in the death of her brother, A.C. Mangum on 3/26.

Requests

- Myrna Snow, hip replacement surgery at DRH, 4/8
- Jo Overman, skin cancer surgery, 4/8
- Sue Wilkins, home following hospital stay for broken hip
- Betty Fuller, back
- Aidan Dacus, broken hand
- Louie Marin, recovering from oral surgery, 4/4
- Mack Overman, recovering from gall bladder surgery
- Judy Spivey, receiving hospice care
- Thomas Weaver, flank pain
- Gloria Morgan, stomach issues
- Pamela Parham, recovering from leg surgery, 3/26
- Jane Parham, surgery for melanoma on 4/11 & 4/25
- Janice Johnson, knee replacement, 4/15
- Paul Adams, severe central sleep apnea
- Charles Jackson, receiving treatments for bladder
- Brad Laws, atrial fibrillation
- Erval Mooney, cardiac rehab
- Bill Fuller, finished treatments for squamous cell carcinoma on tonsil, now recovering
- Dorsey Gillis, squamous cell skin cancers to be removed 4/10 & 4/24
- Wayne Lamberth, dialysis treatments
- Kimberly Boswell, recovering from ankle surgery
- Virginia Singleton, two fractured vertebrae
- Jessie Walker, back issues
- Peggy Moore, open angle glaucoma, surgery in June
- Barbara Weaver, health issues
- Diane Austin, being treated for multiple myeloma
- Chuck Oakley, being treated for multiple myeloma

Nursing Homes

- Kay Reynolds at Hillcrest (room #2416)
- Louise Walthall at Caswell House in Yanceyville

- Peggy Linville at Roxboro Rehab

Also Remember:

- Family of Larry Dixon, died 4/5
- Martin Stone Jr., Jena Daniel's father, health issues
- Joanne Blanks, Bob Wade's sister, health issues
- Kathy Williams, John Bailey's sister, suffers with Lewy Body Dementia
- Danny Gould, Susan Hobgood's brother; back pain
- Darrell Parham, Jane & Richard's son; PT following stroke
- Sherry Reynolds, Kay's daughter, autoimmune disorder



Our Ministry of Giving

March 31, 2024

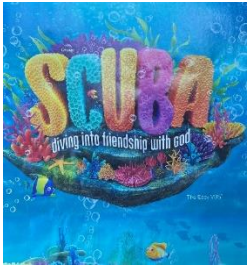
Weekly amount needed to meet budget	\$11,413.00
Budget	\$10,171.50
Designated	
CBF Global Missions	295.00
Rent	100.00
Youth	458.97

April 7, 2024

Weekly amount needed to meet budget	\$11,413.00
Budget	\$ 9,476.82
Designated	
Mission Trip deposits	485.00
CBF Global Missions	200.00



We will receive the Easter CBF Global Missions Offering during the month of April. 100% of your gift will be used to send CBF field personnel to share the Good News of Jesus Christ around the world.



Save the Date

Our Vacation Bible School will be held in the mornings the week of June 17 – 21.

Wanted Used T-shirts



It's time to clean out your t-shirt drawer and donate any used, unwanted, or worn out t-shirts to the church. Your used t-shirts will be cut up to make jump ropes for the Operation Christmas Child shoe boxes.

Graduate Recognition Sunday



If you will be graduating from high school, college, or graduate school, we would like to invite you to participate in our graduate recognition service on Sunday, May 26.

Please call the church office and let us know if you plan to participate by May 5.



Prayer Blanket Ministry

The next workshops will be April 9 and May 14, (the second Tuesday of each month) from 9 to 11 a.m. on the second floor in room B200. Everyone is welcome!

Children's Easter Egg Hunt

We thank the children's committee for planning this event for our children and we thank you for donating the candy.



April Collections **food roundup**

For April we will collect items for the Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina.

- Muffin Mixes
- Peanut Butter
- Jelly, Jams, Preserves (Strawberry is a favorite)
- Brownie, Cookie, Cake Mixes & Icing
- Puddings, Pudding Cups
- Vegetable Oil, Shortening, Olive Oil, Pam Cooking Spray, Bakers Choice
- Pancake Mix and Syrup
- Gift Cards – Wal-Mart, Sam's Clubs, Food Lion

Gift Cards are appreciated because they can be used to buy perishables and items not received, and they don't take up much space. All items can be dropped off in the church office by **April 28**.



New Member

We are delighted to welcome to our fellowship Marley Spencer, who joined our church on Sunday, March 24. Marley will be baptized in the near future. We look forward to working with you in the days ahead in the mission and ministry of Roxboro Baptist Church.

Cozy Winter Reading Club



Winners

Cole Grinstead – 6-12 Years
Clara Hummel – 6-12 Years
Morgan Hummel – 13-17 years
Clara Denny - Adult

Please contact our Homebound this week.

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Louise Walthall

Caswell House, Room 109
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Caroline Wilde

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Wednesday Night Fellowship Menu

April 10: Pork Loin, rice and gravy, baked apples, salad bar

April 17: Hot dogs, chili, slaw, baked beans, and tater tots

April 24: Taco soup, grilled cheese, and salad bar