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GOD REVEALED



THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO
JOHN

OCTOBER 23, 2022



WELCOME

RICHFIELD COMMUNITY CHURCH

PARTY LIKE IT'S YESTERDAY

ALL CHURCH SERVICE
9:30am

Sunday,
October
30th

Dress Up | Free Food | Games & Prizes

NEXT SUNDAY, we're having an All Church Service followed by food and some family games. It's a great chance to invite friends, neighbors, and family for a fun day at RCC.

We want everyone to come dressed up as the high school version of themselves or from their favorite decade. That's right, dress like you would have when you went to high school - the preppy kids, the punk rockers, the jocks, the nerds, or whatever you were - show us the style of when you were in your teens. If you are in high school or younger, dress like you think your parents dressed in high school.

Time: Service starts at 9:30am, followed by food and fun.



On Saturday, November 5th, from 10am to 2pm, welcome in the holiday festivities and shop local vendors.

There will be items for your home, yourself, and your loved ones plus some yummy treats available. Come shop and mingle while enjoying our live Bluegrass Band.

Vendors include: Inspirations Gift and Home, The Cookie Element, Among the Wild Flowers, Honey B Bracelets, Ash and Rae, Darling Dahl Shop, Maren’s Sauce is Boss, Camille’s Quick Pickles, Sew Free, Whiimsie Candles and more!

\$1 Entry fee. All boutique fees will benefit Women’s Ministries at RCC.

GIVING UPDATE

Thank you to all of you for investing in RCC’s vision and community. As of 10/19/22 our giving vs. budget is:

General Fund Giving	Month to Date	Year to Date
2022 Actual	\$68,394	\$1,087,971
2022 Budget	\$74,540	\$1,229,847
Difference	-\$6,146	-\$141,876

SCRIPTURE THIS WEEK:

John 12:37-50

³⁷ Though he had done so many signs before them, they still did not believe in him, ³⁸ so that the word spoken by the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: "Lord, who has believed what he heard from us, and to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed?" ³⁹ Therefore they could not believe. For again Isaiah said, ⁴⁰ "He has blinded their eyes and hardened their heart, lest they see with their eyes, and understand with their heart, and turn, and I would heal them." ⁴¹ Isaiah said these things because he saw his glory and spoke of him. ⁴² Nevertheless, many even of the authorities believed in him, but for fear of the Pharisees they did not confess it, so that they would not be put out of the synagogue; ⁴³ for they loved the glory that comes from man more than the glory that comes from God. ⁴⁴ And Jesus cried out and said, "Whoever believes in me, believes not in me but in him who sent me. ⁴⁵ And whoever sees me sees him who sent me. ⁴⁶ I have come into the world as light, so that whoever believes in me may not remain in darkness. ⁴⁷ If anyone hears my words and does not keep them, I do not judge him; for I did not come to judge the world but to save the world. ⁴⁸ The one who rejects me and does not receive my words has a judge; the word that I have spoken will judge him on the last day. ⁴⁹ For I have not spoken on my own authority, but the Father who sent me has himself given me a commandment—what to say and what to speak. ⁵⁰ And I know that his commandment is eternal life. What I say, therefore, I say as the Father has told me."

Mixed Emotions

John 12:37-50

Todd Chapman - October 23, 2022

As John comments on the Jew's response to Jesus, we are left with what can feel like conflicting emotions – grief and happiness.

**John's Commentary: Most of the Jews rejected Jesus.
This breaks our hearts.**

**John's Commentary: This was by God's design.
This encourages our hearts.**

Jesus' Summary:

NOTES:

Life Group Discussion Questions

John 12:37-50

For the week of October 23, 2022

Reading the Text:

1. John tells us that despite all the evidence, many still did not believe in Jesus. Why is that?
2. John quotes two passages from Isaiah (Is. 53:1 and 6:10, in order) to explain why they “could not believe”. Why couldn’t they believe?
3. In verse 41, John tells us that the passages in Isaiah showed “his” glory. Whose glory did Isaiah see? How do these passages display Jesus’ glory?
4. Verses 44-50 are the final words of Jesus’ public ministry. How would you summarize His final message in your own words?
5. In your own words, how would you articulate the big idea of this passage?

Living it Out:

6. This passage includes what could be one of the more sorrowful parts of John’s gospel. What about this passage is so tragic?
7. This passage also includes reasons to celebrate Jesus’ glory. What is so glorious about this passage?
8. These are the last things Jesus says to a public audience during His earthly ministry (from here on out, He is primarily with the 12). In what ways do the tensions and mixed emotions in these passages encourage us to follow Jesus more passionately? How can we help each other appropriately wrestle with these tensions together in our group?

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