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GOD REVEALED



THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO
JOHN

MARCH 12, 2023



WELCOME

At RCC, the Bible tells us that God wants us to find our greatest joy in Him and that He desires for us to share this experience with others.

So our mission is - To encourage people to **Enjoy God Together**.

And our vision is - To **build joy-filled communities of faith** whose very existence inspires individuals to live an abundant Christian life, **made up of three key relationships - r1, r2, and r3**.

r1 – A deepening relationship with God

r2 – A life-changing relationship with other believers

r3 – An engaging relationship with those yet to believe

To get there, we have a few things that matter to us:



WHAT WE THINK ABOUT GOD MATTERS



WE FIND OUR GREATEST JOY IN JESUS



WE HELP PEOPLE HELP PEOPLE



WE CELEBRATE QUESTIONS



WE EMBRACE INEVITABLE TENSIONS



THIS IS FOR LIFE

WOMENCONNECT

BUNCO

Come join the women of RCC **THIS Saturday, March 18, from 6:30-8:30 pm** for bunco! Win prizes, share laughter, and enjoy an evening together!

Cost: \$10 (for game, prizes, and refreshments)

Feel free to bring a homemade shareable sweet for all to enjoy.

Registration: www.richfieldcc.org/events



Mark your calendars for Easter Week. This year we will draw near to Jesus by commemorating and celebrating:

- The Last Supper (Maundy Thursday - 4/6 @ 6pm)
- Good Friday (4/7 @ 5pm)
- Easter (4/9 @ 9am and 10:30am)

Please join us for as many of these experiences as you can.

SCRIPTURE THIS WEEK:

John 17:1-26

¹ When Jesus had spoken these words, he lifted up his eyes to heaven, and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son that the Son may glorify you, ² since you have given him authority over all flesh, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. ³ And this is eternal life, that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. ⁴ I glorified you on earth, having accomplished the work that you gave me to do. ⁵ And now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had with you before the world existed. ⁶ "I have manifested your name to the people whom you gave me out of the world. Yours they were, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. ⁷ Now they know that everything that you have given me is from you. ⁸ For I have given them the words that you gave me, and they have received them and have come to know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. ⁹ I am praying for them. I am not praying for the world but for those whom you have given me, for they are yours. ¹⁰ All mine are yours, and yours are mine, and I am glorified in them. ¹¹ And I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, keep them in your name, which you have given me, that they may be one, even as we are one. ¹² While I was with them, I kept them in your name, which you have given me. I have guarded them, and not one of them has been lost except the son of destruction, that the Scripture might be fulfilled. ¹³ But now I am coming to you, and these things I speak in the world, that they may have my joy fulfilled in themselves. ¹⁴ I have given them your

word, and the world has hated them because they are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. ¹⁵ I do not ask that you take them out of the world, but that you keep them from the evil one. ¹⁶ They are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. ¹⁷ Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. ¹⁸ As you sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. ¹⁹ And for their sake I consecrate myself, that they also may be sanctified in truth. ²⁰ "I do not ask for these only, but also for those who will believe in me through their word, ²¹ that they may all be one, just as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. ²² The glory that you have given me I have given to them, that they may be one even as we are one, ²³ I in them and you in me, that they may become perfectly one, so that the world may know that you sent me and loved them even as you loved me. ²⁴ Father, I desire that they also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory that you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world. ²⁵ O righteous Father, even though the world does not know you, I know you, and these know that you have sent me. ²⁶ I made known to them your name, and I will continue to make it known, that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them."

Pray Like Jesus

John 17:1-26

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NOTES:

Life Group Discussion Questions

John 17:1-26

For the week of March 12, 2023

Reading the Text:

1. What are some of the themes/ideas that have come up in recent chapters? What is the immediate context of the passage we are in now?
2. In your own words, what exactly is Jesus asking the Father for in vv. 1-5? When thinking of "glory", how has the idea of glory come up throughout this gospel? Is it always the same or is this different in some way?
3. Jesus refers to "the world" multiple times in this text. What (or who) is "the world"? Is this the same "world" He refers to in 3:16?
4. What are the main "petitions" or specific requests for His believers? What other things does He want to be made known to the Father in His prayers?
5. How would you summarize the big idea of this passage?

Living it Out:

1. How do the ideas in Jesus' final prayer before His betrayal reveal what was of utmost importance to Him? How might this impact the way you pray now?
2. Jesus' prayer is full of requests for all believers - including those who "will" believe (v. 20). Have you ever considered that this prayer includes you and those around you? What do you think of this reality?
3. This passage speaks a lot about unity in bringing glory to God. What could a community look like that finds unity in promoting God's glory above anything else?

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