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GOD REVEALED



THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO
JOHN

FEBRUARY 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

ANNUAL MEETING

Thanks to everyone who participated in the service and/or the Annual Meeting.

Welcome to our 17 new members that were voted in last Sunday:

- Daryl Braun
- Sherry Braun
- Brittany Gulley
- Eric Gulley
- Marcia Kannus
- Crystal Krajec
- Matt Krajec
- Kirsten Johansen
- Camden Leptich
- Carol McAllister
- Dan McAllister
- Chris Sappington
- Marissa Sappington
- Kyleen Seymour
- Maggie Wilson
- Dan Young
- Hannah Young

As part of the Annual Meeting process, we:

- Affirmed our Elder Board, adding Dan Young as our new Elder and thanking Rob Rommelfanger for six years of dedication!
- Approved a budget for 2023, including a giving budget of \$1,760,000.

GIVING UPDATE

Thank you to all of you for investing in RCC's vision and community. As of 02/08/23 our giving vs. budget is:

General Fund Giving	Month to Date	Year to Date
2023 Actual	\$30,293	\$120,992
2023 Budget	\$32,867	\$135,362
Difference	-\$2,574	-\$14,370

SCRIPTURE THIS WEEK:

John 14:1-31

¹ "Let not your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. ² In my Father's house are many rooms. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? ³ And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also. ⁴ And you know the way to where I am going." ⁵ Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" ⁶ Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. ⁷ If you had known me, you would have known my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him." ⁸ Philip said to him, "Lord, show us the Father, and it is enough for us." ⁹ Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you so long, and you still do not know me, Philip? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? ¹⁰ Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own authority, but the Father who dwells in me does his works. ¹¹ Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me, or else believe on account of the works themselves. ¹² "Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes in me will also do the works that I do; and greater works than these will he do, because I am going to the Father. ¹³ Whatever you ask in my name, this I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴ If you ask me anything in my name, I will do it. ¹⁵ "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. ¹⁶ And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, to be with you forever, ¹⁷ even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, for he

dwells with you and will be in you. ¹⁸ "I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. ¹⁹ Yet a little while and the world will see me no more, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. ²⁰ In that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. ²¹ Whoever has my commandments and keeps them, he it is who loves me. And he who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and manifest myself to him." ²² Judas (not Iscariot) said to him, "Lord, how is it that you will manifest yourself to us, and not to the world?" ²³ Jesus answered him, "If anyone loves me, he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him. ²⁴ Whoever does not love me does not keep my words. And the word that you hear is not mine but the Father's who sent me. ²⁵ "These things I have spoken to you while I am still with you. ²⁶ But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he will teach you all things and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you. ²⁷ Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid. ²⁸ You heard me say to you, 'I am going away, and I will come to you.' If you loved me, you would have rejoiced, because I am going to the Father, for the Father is greater than I. ²⁹ And now I have told you before it takes place, so that when it does take place you may believe. ³⁰ I will no longer talk much with you, for the ruler of this world is coming. He has no claim on me, ³¹ but I do as the Father has commanded me, so that the world may know that I love the Father. Rise, let us go from here.

Making Sure We Know the Way

John 14:1-31

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14:1-3 - Jesus has the perfect destination for us.

14:4-11 - Jesus is the only way to this destination.

14:12-31 - Jesus gives us a picture of life in His Kingdom.

Life Group Discussion Questions

John 14:1-31

For the week of February 12, 2023

Reading the Text:

1. As we return to unpacking the Gospel of John, how would you summarize where we have been so far in John?
2. Why does Jesus' response to Philip seem so stern/harsh in vv. 8-11?
3. Verses 12-14 have a few complicated ideas. In what way do you think we can do "greater works" than Jesus? And how does the context help us interpret vv. 13 & 14?
4. What objections may some people have regarding vv. 15 & 23? How would you express this idea in a way that overcomes these objections?
5. In v. 22, what did Judas, and likely the rest of the disciples, not quite understand yet?
6. What is it about the coming of the Helper (Holy Spirit) that empowers the disciples to rejoice in a "troubling" time?
7. How would you summarize and articulate the "big idea" of John 14:1-31?

Living it Out:

1. How might the Holy Spirit be working in your life to promote a clearer picture of Jesus?
2. What are some things that "trouble your heart" or cause you to worry these days? How can being increasingly satisfied in Jesus speak to these troubles?
3. What would an increasingly "non-anxious presence" impact your life and the lives of those around you?

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