



TENSIONS

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STUDY NOTES || SPEAKING PASTOR TIM HOWEY

Moreover, brethren, I declare to you the gospel which I preached to you, which also you received and in which you stand,
1 Corinthians 15:1 NKJV

Sickness, Death & the Gospel

- Let not your heart be troubled; you believe in God, believe also in Me. **John 14:1 NKJV**
- In My Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. **John 14:2 NKJV**
- And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself; that where I am, there you may be also. **John 14:3 NKJV**
- And where I go you know, and the way you know." **John 14:4 NKJV**
- Thomas said to Him, "Lord, we do not know where You are going, and how can we know the way?" **John 14:5 NKJV**
- Jesus said to him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me. **John 14:6 NKJV**
- Concerning this thing I pleaded with the Lord three times that it might depart from me. **2 Corinthians 12:8 NKJV**
- And He said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for My strength is made perfect in weakness." Therefore most gladly I will rather boast in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me. **2 Corinthians 12:9 NKJV**

Our Rights, Suffering, & the Gospel

- Then He said to them all, "If anyone desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow Me. **Luke 9:23 NKJV**
- For whoever desires to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake will save it. **Luke 9:24 NKJV**
- For to you it has been granted on behalf of Christ, not only to believe in Him, but also to suffer for His sake, **Philippians 1:29 NKJV**
- having the same conflict which you saw in me and now hear is in me. **Philippians 1:30 NKJV**

Disagreements, the "Other Side", & the Gospel

- You have heard that it was said, 'You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.' **Matthew 5:43 NKJV**
- But I say to you, love your enemies, bless those who curse you, do good to those who hate you, and pray for those who spitefully use you and persecute you, **Matthew 5:44 NKJV**
- that you may be sons of your Father in heaven; for He makes His sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the just and on the unjust. **Matthew 5:45 NKJV**
- For if you love those who love you, what reward have you? Do not even the tax collectors do the same? **Matthew 5:46 NKJV**
- And if you greet your brethren only, what do you do more than others? Do not even the tax collectors do so? **Matthew 5:47 NKJV**
- Therefore you shall be perfect, just as your Father in heaven is perfect. **Matthew 5:48 NKJV**
- A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another; as I have loved you, that you also love one another. **John 13:34 NKJV**
- By this all will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another." **John 13:35 NKJV**
- Moreover, brethren, I declare to you the gospel which I preached to you, which also you received and in which you stand, **1 Corinthians 15:1 NKJV**

NURSERY

JESUS CARES

THE GOOD SAMARITAN



Toddlers are ready and willing helpers! Helping others gives toddlers a sense of self-satisfaction and allows them the opportunity to reach out to others and experience the good feelings that come from showing they care. It's important to help toddlers see that Jesus cares for us and wants us to care for others, too. The lessons in this series will encourage your toddler to look for ways to help others and show that they care.

Memory Verse: "Jesus Cares." 1 Peter 5:7 (adapted for toddlers)

Heart of the Lesson: Jesus Cares About Us All the Time

Parent Engagement: Take a walk together. Play the game "Care, Care Everywhere". Take turns pointing out ways that God/Jesus cares for us. Explain to your toddler that God created this beautiful world for us because he cares for us.

GKJR

THE EARLY CHURCH

RESURRECTION THROUGH PETER



This month in GKJr we will be learning about Easter through Peter. We'll talk about how Jesus is alive and what we are called to do next. We'll start discussing the early church and what it means to tell other people that Jesus really is alive!

Memory Verse: For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. John 3:16

Heart of the Lesson: Jesus is Really Alive - The Road to Emmaus & Ascension - Luke 24

Parent Engagement: Go to visitgracechurch.com/kids on computer or tablet. Watch the short puppet skit together. Ask your kid, how he/she would feel if you were one of the men that saw Jesus after the resurrection?

ELEMENTARY

Joyful Noise



We were created to worship! It's the most important thing we can do. No, that doesn't mean we are just called to sing really loudly, but we are called to make a joyful noise in everything we do. In this series, we are going to be talking about what worship is and who is the most deserving of our worship!

Memory Verse: Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands Psalm 100:1

Heart of the Lesson: God created us for worship and therefore Satan tries to stop it. Exodus 20:3-4, 34:13-14, Matthew 4

Parent Engagement: Jesus' first line of attack when being tempted by Satan was to tell Satan to stop then to quote scripture. Find a piece of scripture that might come in handy when we are tempted to get distracted and start worshipping other than rather than God. Memorize it as a family!

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HE > ME



We were created to worship, and we are all worshipping something whether we realize it or not. This world has so many things constantly calling for our attention and love, but there is only One who is worthy of our worship. In this series, we are going to be talking all about worship including what it is, how we do it and who is the worthy One.

Memory Verse: "He must become greater and greater and I must become less and less." John 3:30

Heart of the Lesson: What is the most important thing we can do? - Exodus 20:3-4, 34:13-14, Matthew 4, Daniel 3

Parent Engagement: Jesus' first line of attack when being tempted by Satan was to tell Satan to stop, then to quote scripture. Find a piece of scripture that might come in handy when we are tempted to get distracted and start worshipping other than rather than God. Try to memorize it!