Who are you going to intercede for?

Write their names on this paper, pray for them then place this on our prayer wall at the ground floor lobby.

YOU BEING HERE IS NO ACCIDENT!

God brought you here for His purpose.

God loves vou.

He desires for you to have a meaningful life with Him in the present and gain eternal life with Him in the future.

Know therefore that the Lord your God, He is God, the faithful God, who keeps His covenant and His lovingkindness to a thousandth generation with those who love Him and keep His commandments – Deuteronomy 7:9

God is holy.

We are sinful, and our sin separates us from Him.

Everyone has sinned and is far away from God's saving presence. – Romans 3:23

God is merciful.

In His love, He made the only way for us to be reconciled to Him: through His son, Jesus Christ. Jesus had to die on the cross for our sins and be raised to life for eternity.

But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from the wrath of God through Him. – Romans 5:8

I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father but through Me. – John 14:6

God is gracious.

By placing our faith in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven of our sins and saved from eternal death.

For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life. – John 3:16

For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God; not as a result of works, so that no one may boast. – Ephesians 2:8-9

Would you like to place your faith in Jesus Christ today?

Lord Jesus, I need You. I confess that I am a sinner. I believe that You died on the cross to pay for all my sins. With Your help, I will turn away from my sins. Please come into my life and be my Savior and my Master. I accept Your gift of eternal life. Make me the kind of new person You want me to be. Thank You for giving me eternal life. Amen.

God keeps His promises.

You can be sure that you have eternal life when you trust in Jesus

And the testimony is this, that God has given us eternal life, and this life is in His Son. He who has the Son has the life; he who does not have the Son of God does not have the life. These things I have written to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life.

— 1.John 5:11-13

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WEEKLY BULLETIN

Will I Be Useless or Useful to God?

LAST WEEK'S MESSAGE

Read Jeremiah 1:1-11

No one desires to be useless — most of us want to be useful. God made us unique, special for His purpose, and useful. Yet what we focus on in life (physical incapacity, lack of education, or a personality quirk, etc.) will determine whether we will be useful or useless to God. Jeremiah 1:1-10 enumerates how we can be useful to God:

GOD'S CALLING (Jeremiah 1:1-5)

Jeremiah was called by God when he was around 17 years old, and he was the last prophet God appointed during one of the darkest parts of Israel's history: before the invasion of and exile to Babylon. The name "Jeremiah" means Yahweh appoints (v.1), and Jeremiah lived up to his name by faithfully serving the Lord over 50 years as he served many kings (vv. 2-3). He was useful and faithful to God. God spoke 4 words to Jeremiah (vv.4-5):

- "formed" (a potter making a masterpiece out of clay): God loves us (Psalm 139:13-14). He is a redeeming God and has a wonderful plan for our lives despite all our foolish decisions.
- "knew" (the deepest form of intimacy): Psalm 139:1-2,4 comforts us. Whatever we're going through, God is there. He knows what's going on in our life.
- "consecrated" (set apart): God has a book written with our name on it, and in that book is His amazing plan for our life. Such is the depth and the richness of the calling of God in our lives (Psalm 139:16).
- "appointed" (intentionally putting someone in a specific position by someone of authority John 15:16): True followers of Jesus have been appointed as ministers (2 Corinthians 5:18) and ambassadors (2 Corinthians 5:20).

When God appoints, He intends for His followers to become more like Jesus. When we focus and respond to God's calling, regardless of our circumstances, we will serve God consistently and faithfully.

GOD'S PROMISES (Jeremiah 1:6-7)

Even though Jeremiah was very young, God said He would be his enabler (vv.6-7). Nothing will stop him. God is going to work and speak through Jeremiah.

GOD'S PRESENCE (Jeremiah 1:8-10)

Throughout history, the presence of God is His greatest assurance to His people, as seen in the story of Moses (Exodus 3,4) and Gideon (Judges 6). The same goes for Jeremiah who placed his confidence in God (vv.8-9) and whose many pronouncements were also extended to many other nations (v.10). God, through His Holy Spirit, can use us to break down, destroy, and overthrow people's wrong thinking and misguided worldviews — spiritual barriers that are against the truth of God. The Holy Spirit works through ordinary people who are called by God so that

we can plant the seeds of the gospel. We can build up people in their relationship with Jesus to help them become more like Him.

To be USEFUL, the attitude of the heart must be with HUMILITY. Conversely, there are ways to be useless to God. The word "worthless" in the original Hebrew is equivalent to the English words "no" or "not" when translated — it means good for nothing. Jeremiah 13:1-11 enumerates the factors where God considers people useless:

Doing it my way: When we reject or "refuse to listen to God's words"; when obeying is inconvenient, difficult, and is not aligned with our preferences.

Making it my will: When we "walk in the stubbornness of our hearts", we are self-centered and self-gratifying, to please ourselves rather than honor God.

Having idols: When we "have gone after other gods" by pursuing money, pleasure, success, popularity, and people rather than God, or have embraced a "do-it-yourself (DIY) spirituality".

To be USELESS, the attitude of the heart must be full of PRIDE.

This life is a battlefield, but even before we step into the battlefield, Jesus is already there. Furthermore, when our time is up to leave the battlefield, we will go to Him and will be with Him forever.

God has given us the capacity to love. God has given us the capacity to choose. Choose to be USEFUL.

discuss the article

Which of these — my way, my will, my idols — is most hindering you from being useful to God? Explain why.

Which of these — God's calling, God's promise, God's presence — will most help you in being useful for God? Explain why.

What specific steps will you take to be useful to God in 2025 and thereafter?

last week's memory verse

"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I have appointed you a prophet to the nations."

JEREMIAH 1:5

In Jesus, you can be a new you.

See you at the Welcome Center!



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