

Sermon Notes

May 21, 2017 -- Luke 24:13-35

Sharing the Journey

We've heard the phrase: "Life is a _____."

- Not only are we on a _____, but so are other _____.
- All people are on a _____ and we can impact them for _____ or _____.

In our own _____, we have what and why questions we _____ answer.

- Though we may not see or recognize him, God is _____... _____ in our journey.
- God created us to be in _____ with us.

What are the pages of the Bible about?

- The _____ is the story of God seeking to be in _____ with his creation.
- Some scriptures Jesus would have touched on with the two disciples walking to Emmaus:

<https://jewsforjesus.org/answers/top-40-most-helpful-messianic-prophecies/>

Barna 2016 Research – Bible In America:

- Bible contains everything a person needs to know to live a meaningful life in 2011 is _____%... in 2016 is _____%
- Nearly 1/3 read the bible at least once a _____.
- Nearly half read the bible at least once a _____.

We're all on a Journey

MONDAY – Genesis 12:1-3

Abram (we know as Abraham) is called by God to leave what is familiar and to go to a new land, which God will give to him and his descendants.

- God promises to bless and make him great so that what?
- Who will Abram's descendants be a blessing to? What should we seek to do?

Going with God on the Journey

TUESDAY – Genesis 12:4-7

So in response to God's call, Abram, who is 75, departs from his home and set out for the place God will show him. Abram's descendants become Israel.

- Abram followed God's lead and in verse 7, what happens?
- Do you long to follow God's lead in your life? What is it that God has been wanting you to do, but you have not done yet? What's stopping You?

Called by God to Fish

WEDNESDAY – Matthew 4:18-22

As Jesus begins his ministry, he calls to himself some men to follow him. He doesn't call the powerful, but those who are humble of heart.

- What strikes you about what Jesus calls these fishermen to do? What does it mean to be fishers of men and what does that mean for us today?
- What strikes you about how these four responded to Jesus' call to follow him? How does that equate to how we respond and follow Jesus today?

Receiving Heavenly Treasure

THURSDAY – Matthew 19:20-22

A rich young man states he has kept the commandments to inherit eternal life. He asks what else he must do, which Jesus says, sell all and follow me.

- Jesus says by selling all, we will store up treasure in heaven, what do you cling to that seems more important than following Jesus.
- Do you believe Jesus wants us to sell all we have or to live simply? How can you live more simply so you have more time for storing heavenly treasure?

Jesus' Commission to Us

FRIDAY – Matthew 28:16-20

After Jesus has risen from the dead, he meets his disciples in Galilee. Jesus states he has all authority in heaven and earth and then gives them their marching orders.

- What is interesting about verse 17 to you? Is it okay to have some doubt?
- What do see Jesus asking them to do? How do you help this to happen in your life? What about the last statement brings you comfort?

Intentional Prayer

SATURDAY

Take a few minutes today and remember some people in prayer who need to know God better. Begin with yourself, parents, siblings, children, spouse. Be bold knowing that you are in God's will when praying for others to know Jesus more.