

Things to Pray for:

CHURCH FAMILY NEEDS: Pray for Jerry Jamrozy, who has bone cancer. Pray for Tony who is recovering from an ankle surgery.

MISSIONARIES: This month pray for the Bellas.

FAMILY OF THE WEEK: Each week we'll pray for a different family in our church. This week pray for the Dutkas.

HILLSIDE HAPPENINGS: Pray that the church would continue to stay unified under Christ. Pray for our livestream and for the people joining us there. Pray for Casa Del Alfarero, the Spanish-speaking Missionary Church 5 minutes from our building.

CURRENT HAPPENINGS: Pray for the war in Israel. Pray for the war in Ukraine.

Numbers

Attendance

In-person on 7/28/24: 47

Online views (through 8/1): 10

Giving

Online: (7/22/24-7/28/24): \$265

In-Person on 7/21/24: \$837 for general

Rather view this information on your phone?
Feel free to scan this Q.R. code to view this on the Bible app! For future reference, we always have the QR code posted at the main entrance that will take you to that week's event in the Bible app!



Give Online



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Matthew 9:15

And Jesus said to them, “Can the wedding guests mourn as long as the bridegroom is with them? The days will come when the bridegroom is taken away from them, and then they will fast.”


Hillside
MISSIONARY CHURCH

Welcome!

August 4th, 2024

Whether you're a guest or a long-time attendee we're glad you're here with us. We're a friendly and caring group of Christians who are here to help people be **CONNECTED** with Jesus, **CHANGED** by Jesus, and **COMMITTED** to the mission of Jesus.

GUESTS: Thanks for joining us today! We truly believe that you're not here by accident and that God has some amazing plans for your life. If you'd like some information about who we are and how to get plugged in here at Hillside, please fill out the "I'm New" page on our website, which can be found by the QR code to the right.



EMAIL LIST: If you would like to receive prayer requests, announcements, and our weekly email, feel free to scan the QR code above. It will take you to the "I'm New" page on our website, where you can fill out your name, phone number, and email.

SERMON SERIES: We are currently going through a sermon series in the Gospel of Matthew. Today, we're talking about a passage where some people have a question for Jesus, regarding His disciples.

Announcements

SMALL GROUPS: Small groups will be starting again soon! Last year we changed our small groups to have a men's and women's group. This year we plan on having those groups meet again, every other Tuesday. The youth group will also be starting up again for the school year. If you are interest, please sign up at the welcome counter. For more information, please see Pastor Josh.

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES: Mark your calendars! This Sunday, August 4th, we are helping serve lunch to those in need at Miami Village Church. On Saturday August 17th, we will be helping hand out school supplies in Chicago with Devon Oasis. Please See Pastor Josh for more details.

LUNCH AT THE FISHERS: Pastor Josh and Tammi are inviting the church over to their house for lunch on 9/8 and 9/15! Last names A-H are 9/8 (A-D bring a side dish, E-H bring a dessert) and I-Z are 9/15 (I-R bring a side dish, S-Z bring a dessert). Please feel free to ask Josh and Tammi any questions.

Opportunities to Help

TECH: Our worship team is looking for someone who would like to run sound and/or slides. Please see Pastor Josh.

WORSHIP TEAM: Would you like to help out on the worship team? Please see Carolyn Dodd for details.

PRAYER GUIDE: Will you be in prayer for Hillside? Prayer guides are available at the welcome counter. Also, if you would like to be a prayer advocate, please see Pastor Josh.

MAINTENANCE TEAM: Would you like to help out on the maintenance team? We need help inside and outside the building. Please see Jeff Soule for details.

THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO

Matthew

FROM TAX COLLECTOR TO APOSTLE

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Jesus answers their question by using 3 different analogies:

1. A _____
2. A _____
3. _____

What Jesus' answer teaches us: There are obviously core tenets to our faith, however, within these Scriptural boundaries, our relationship with the Lord looks _____ throughout various seasons of our life. In light of that, to cultivate a good relationship with God, we should:

1. Establish prayerful, intentional, and meaning faith _____
John 15:4-5, Eph. 5:15-16, Col. 3:23-24, Rom. 12:1-2, Eph. 2:10
2. Regularly evaluate those routines, avoiding _____
2 Cor. 10:12, 13:5, Gal. 6:4-5, 1:10, 2 Tim. 2:15
3. Resolve to have a life-long mindset about your _____
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Reflecting on God's Word

Getting Started

- Take some time to read over Matthew 9:14-17 and pray.
- Have you ever read or heard about this before? What stood out to you as we were talking about it?
- What surprised you as we talked about it?
- What season of your life was most significant for your faith?
- Have you ever struggled with seasons of your life looking differently in regards to your faith? How so?

Diving In

1. When Jesus is asked about why His disciples aren't fasting, He answers the questions through 3 analogies: a wedding, a patch, and wine. All 3 of these analogies paint a picture that helps us to understand that, just like any other relationship, our relationship with the Lord will look differently throughout different seasons of our life (within Scriptural boundaries, of course). Have you ever considered that before?

- Many times, people become susceptible to stop following Jesus when the feeling wears off. Have you ever gone through that struggle before?
- How do you think that realizing that your faith will look different throughout different seasons of your life help you to keep the faith throughout your entire lifetime?
- How can you help others to grasp this concept that Jesus is teaching?

2. Once we understand the concept behind what Jesus is teaching behind his 3 analogy answer, we can then go onto establish prayerful, intentional, and meaningful faith routines in our life, and regularly evaluate these routines. What do your faith routines look like, and how effective are they at cultivating a good relationship with the Lord?

- What would make your faith routines more effective at cultivating a good relationship with the Lord?
- What would make you more consistent at your faith routines?
- Who else do you need to involve in your faith routines?

Applying the Scripture

What are your biggest takeaways from this passage of God's Word?

- What practical step(s) do you need to implement in your life to apply what God has taught you in this passage of Scripture?
- How would applying this affect your life and your relationship with the Lord?
- Who can you ask to keep you accountable to applying this to your life?

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