LEADERSHIP

LOVING GOD AND LOVING PEOPLE

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CARE GROUPS

WHEN: Mondays at 7PM

HOSTED BY: Ken Menzel

WHERE: Vernon/565

WHEN: First Friday, Monthly **HOSTED BY:** The Baxters CALL: 201-230-7372

WHERE: Highlands Bible Church WHERE: Highlands Bible Church WHEN: 2nd & 4th Sundays at 4pm **HOSTED BY: Pastor Mike Ruel**

WHERE: Highlands Bible Church

WHEN: Varies

HOSTED BY: Brad & Taylor Wilson

CALL: 973-600-0826 [Brad] Family Friendly Group!

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OUR PURPOSE

MAKING AND MATURING DISCIPLES OF JESUS CHRIST

We are delighted that you joined us today! Our ministry vision is to love God with all that we are, and love others as much as we love ourselves.

CONNECT WITH US!



Thank you for worshiping with us this morning. Please scan the QR code above to fill out a Connect Card and keep up to date on all our news and events.

THE GOSPEL

THE CENTER OF EVERYTHING WE DO AT HIGHLANDS

GOD: The only all-knowing, all-powerful King and Creator of all things. He created us to enjoy and glorify him forever. [Psalm 19:1-2; Romans 1:18-32]

SIN: Yet, we rejected God, and established ourselves as gods of our lives, separating ourselves from Him, and becoming objects of His wrath. In so doing we also unleashed sin, sickness, death and evil. [Ephesians 2:1-3; Romans 5:12-14]

CHRIST: In God's unparalleled mercy and grace, He already had a plan to reconcile us to Himself. The entire Old Testament points to the coming of the Messiah - revealed in the New Testament as Jesus Christ. [John 1; Ephesians 2:4-7; Romans 3:21-26]

RESPONSE: None of this is effective for us unless we respond in two ways: repent/turn from our self control and sin [Mark 1:15], and believe in the gospel [John 3:16-18]. We are then given new life in Christ, forgiven, justified, adopted into God's family, and we persevere in the faith. [1 John 1:9; 2 Corinthians 5:17; Matthew 24:13; Ephesians 4:1]

KINGDOM KIDS

WE LOVE KIDS AT HIGHLANDS!

Kids will be dismissed to downstairs before the sermon. Please see one of our security team at the check-in desk for more info. **CURRENT CLASSES:** Explorers (0-2) Discoverers (2-3) and Adventurers (4-Kindergarten) and Navigators (1st-3rd grade). Infant nursery care is available for the full service, see Check-In Team!

HIGHLANDS HAPPENINGS

EVENTS, CARE GROUPS, AND MORE

TODAY AFTER SERVICE - Family Care Group downstairs TODAY 6pm - Prayer Meeting in the Sanctuary

MONDAY 7PM - Care Group in Sanctuary

TUESDAY LADIES BIBLE STUDY: 9am at church childcare avail

WED MORNING MEN'S BIBLE STUDY - 7am @ Sussex Sit n Chat

WED NIGHT MEN'S BIBLE STUDY -7:30pm in Loffice

ELDER MEETINGS: 2nd Tuesday Monthly - Prayers Appreciated!

See the website or the app for all upcoming events.

FINANCES



THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS GIVING

GENERAL OFFERING, July 2023
NEHEMIAH FUND, To Date
BENEVOLENCE, To Date
CEAF, To Date
YTD GENERAL OFFERING
2023 BUDGET

\$28,706.84 \$380,619.55 \$20,785.55 \$7,178.30

> \$177,882.71 \$350,670.00

Our giving box is in the back at the welcome table. You can also give anytime online at www.HighlandsBibleChurch.org

Questions? Email us at info@HighlandsBibleChurch.org!

WORSHIP GUIDE

August 6, 2023

WELCOME TO WORSHIP! Today our sermon passage is Romans 7:13-25. As you prepare your heart for worship in song, in His Word, in the fellowship of the saints, please consider:



SCRIPTURE READINGS

- Call to Worship: Revelation 15:3-4
- Old Testament Reading: 2 Chronicles 151-15 (Page 343)
- Sermon Passage Reading: Romans 7:13-25 (Page 887)
- Benediction: Revelation 21:1-4



CONSIDER - DISCUSS - PRAY

- Why don't we see sin for what it is BEFORE we give into sin?
- Have you ever felt like Paul did in v15? What are some of the most common recurring sins that you continue to struggle with?
- Read Galatians 5:16-18 and compare with Romans 7:14-20. What similarities do you see? What is most helpful?
- How can you practically rely more on the Spirit in the fight against sin?
- How can you cultivate more thankfulness to God for the victory over sin thru Christ Jesus?
- Next Week: Romans 8:1-11



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The Mighty, Sovereign Hand of God | All I Have is Christ | Oh Lord, My Rock and My Redeemer | Death Was Arrested

SERMON NOTES

Romans 7:13-25 | Sin and the Law, Part 2

1. By No Means! [7:13; James 1:14-15]

God's Law causes sin to be exposed for what it truly is.

2. We Should Know Better [7:14-20; Galatians 5:16-18]

Sometimes we give into the lie of remaining sin.

3. That Saved a Wretch Like Me [7:21-25; 1 Corinthians 15:56-57]

Remember that Christ still won the victory, even when we may suffer a defeat.

Big Idea: God's Law shows us the reality of sin so that we can find refuge in Christ.