

The Connection

Messages of Hope



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May 7, 2025

“WHAT IS THE *HEART* AND THE *SOUL* OF THE CHURCH?”

A. Consider for a few moments what the early New Testament church might've been like. List several characteristics that you think may have distinguished it from the synagogue or other religious or social groups mentioned in the Bible.

B. Read 1 John 1:1–4:

1. What types of evidence were presented to the disciples that convinced them about the nature and the message of the Lord Jesus? (vs 1,2)

2. Was the basic message that Jon and the other disciples received from the Lord? (v. 2b)

3. John had a strong emotional/spiritual response to the message of Jesus, (v 4). How do you think this emotion revealed itself in Jon's life, that is, what outward things would we have seen in him?

C. Read Romans 14:13–19:

1. In verse 17, Paul makes the kingdom of God sound like it is very much at the heart of the church. What is the kingdom of God like according to this passage?

2. According to the passage in verses 18 and 19, what do the Christians do in response to the fact that they are a part of the kingdom of God?

3. Briefly describe what you think would be the sacrifice involved in the benefits given by God if the members of a church were wholly committed to see this passage become reality: sacrifice, rewards/benefits.

D. In the following passages, what are some of the ways in which the Holy Spirit ministers to believers? How does He help them and what does He help them to do?

1. Ezekiel 36:27 (prophecy concerning the work of the coming Holy Spirit)

2. Acts 1:8

3. 1 John 3:24

4. John 14:16, 26

5. 2 Timothy 1:8-14

[Note: treasure equals “testimony” in verse 8
“gospel” in verse 10 “sound words” in verse 13]

E. When the members of the New Testament church wanted to get a full effects of the Holy Spirit's ministry in their life, what did they believe God for?:

1. Ephesians 5:18

2. Galatians 5:13-17

F. Summarizing your own words what we must do to appropriate the Holy Spirit full effect in your life:

HOPE Calendar

Wednesday, May 7
Supper, Study and Prayer
Supper @ 6pm
Bible Study @ 7pm
Prayer @ 7:45

Thursday, May 8
Worship Team Rehearsal @ 7:00

Sunday, May 11
Worship Team Run Through
@ 8:00 a.m.

Wednesday, May 14
Study and Prayer

Bible Study @ 7pm
Prayer @ 7:45

Thursday, May 15
Worship Team Rehearsal @ 7:00

**Helping Hands for
May 11, 2024**

ProPresenter
Dianne Reinoso
Soundboard
Jane Davis
Live Streaming
Ramsey Mallory
Communion
Lynn Joyner
Greeter
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**Scripture Text and Sermon
This Coming Sunday**

**“The Fulfilled and Fulfilling
Wife and Mother”**
Psalms 128:3-4
1 Peter 3:1-5

Prophecies O.T.		N.T.
Revealed....		
May 4	Heb 2:5-9	
May 5	Ps 9:7-10	
May 6	Acts 17:31	
May 7	Ps 16:10	
May 8	Acts 2:31	
May 9	Ps 16:9-11	

GROW

Women of HOPE

Meetings generally at HOPE
on the second and fourth
Saturdays
every month

“Food of the Month”
for the Raleigh Dream Center
Food Pantry
Condiments
We have a collection bin in the
foyer

SERVE

TLC Devotion
May 28, 2025
@ 11:00 a.m.
5124 Departure Dr # 101,
Raleigh

HOPE Meal Ministry
Take a meal from the freezer if
needed for you or someone
else.

Be always filled with the Spirit; speak to
one another with heavenly songs; sing
and make melody personally to the Lord;
always give thanks in the name of Jesus;
fear the Lord and serve one another.
Ephesians 5:18-21

Prayer Requests:

Tom Riggelman (Bruce), Ron Clifton, Janice
Worthington, Donna Williams, Dale H., Jerry
& Alice K., Burton(Erin), The Branch's, Phil
Parton, Krishana, HOPE Vision Team, God's
peace in the USA, Dave Rendall, Gene &
Becky Hale, Sam and Rachael, Joan
Rollinson, Will Floyd's Fiancé's Mother:
Jennifer, Dianne Reinoso, Cindy (Elizabeth),
Nancy Hutchins (Positive Cancer), Pastor
Search Committee, Barbara(81) Stroke,
Joey(18) Crohn's, Ebo (Glioblastoma #3/4)-
family has 4 children, Youth Ministry, Kathy
Jo and her family, Peggy Karpenske,
Claudia in Idaho (Kathy H), Patty Moyer's
son Brandon, Dave & Dot Geil, Corbin
Broome, The Mallory family, Carol & Colin
(Kathy H), Loretta (Sandi U), Joan
Summers., Jordan Stevens (Lynn J.), our
Military, Police, Fire, and EMS. Missionaries,

PLEASE NOTE:

This Wednesday, May 7 will be
our last Wednesday evening
supper until after labor day. We
will continue Bible study and
prayer beginning at 7 PM.

UPCOMING
WOMEN OF HOPE
Saturdays at 10 a.m. at HOPE

5/24
**“Loyalty is the Mark of a
Good Friend.**
**What kind of friend are
You?”**

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