

LIFE GROUP GUIDE

(ref.: Sunday, Nov. 18th and 25th, 2018)

SERIES: THE MISSION OF THE CHURCH THE GOSPEL OF JESUS CHRIST'S KINGDOM – PART 2

AND

THE FUEL FOR THE MISSION

MATT. 24:14; 28:18-20; MARK 16:15; ACTS 1:8

“OPENING PRAYER” & “WORSHIP” TIME

Let's ALL Make a JOYFUL "noise" unto the LORD.

(suggested time: 5 to 10 minutes [max])

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(Please **discuss** this with the group ...)

2) According to Acts 1:8 and 1 John 4:4 – what is the “Fuel” for the Fire of spreading the Gospel that Jesus Christ has given to us?

(Please **discuss** this with the group ...)

3) Why do we need Him, the Holy Spirit, as our “Fuel” for the Mission?

Acts 1:8; Acts 4:29-31

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4) How does Prayer Relate to Sharing the Gospel of Christ?

(ref. Acts 4:29-31; Ephesians 5:18-21)

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5) How are you going to pursue being a usable, fruitful, and effective vessel for Christ from this point forward for the Gospel's sake (sharing the Gospel)?

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Series Link: <https://NLFJI.org/TMOC>

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The Good News about Jesus Christ:

1. The **God** of the Bible, the **Creator** of the universe, **created all humans**, starting with **Adam & Eve**, in the beginning. They were created in the Image and Likeness of God, perfect and without sin. **God loves & cares** for us, and He created us to have relationship with Him → **God's original intent (Genesis 1 & 2)**.
2. **Adam & Eve sinned**, thus, we all **inherited** that fallen, sinful nature of rebellion against God → it's, now, our **nature to sin** (sin is **rebellion & breaking** God's laws – **Gen. 3; Romans 3:19-23; Romans 5:12**)
3. **God is Holy**, Perfect, **Good & Righteous**, and He must **JUDGE SIN**. It is **His Universe**, His Rules and Laws. He will not have relationship with us unless our **"sin problem"** is **resolved**. (**Isaiah 59:1-4; Romans 3:23; 6:23**)
4. **God's Solution** → because He **Loves** us, He sent His One & Only, Unique Son, **Jesus Christ**, God in human flesh, the sinless virgin-born Son of God, God the Son, to **DIE** upon the **Cross** for our **sins**. God the Father **PUNISHED** Jesus Christ on the Cross, for **ALL** of our sins → past, present & future. Then, 3 days later, Jesus **rose** physically from the dead. **He is Alive** in heaven and will come back soon. (1 **Corinthians 15:1-4; Acts 1:1-3,11; Acts 2; Romans 5:8**)

5. Your Response?

If you **do not** receive **God's Forgiveness of sins** based upon Jesus Christ's **sacrifice** on the cross, **you will have to stand before God** on Judgment Day and **answer for your sins** and be **cast** into the **Lake of Fire** → **Punishment Forever** (**John 3:18-21;36; Rev. 20:11-15**).

BUT – you **don't** have to go there - you **can be RESCUED** from **God's Wrath & Judgment** → **IF** you **RECEIVE** Jesus Christ as your **LORD**, King, God & Savior. If you will **REPENT of your sins (turn from your life of sin & selfishness)** & **TRUST** in Jesus Christ **AND** in His Crucifixion, Death, Burial & Resurrection, **believing** that God **punished Jesus** instead of you → you will be **saved, born again**.

For God loved the world in this way: He gave His One & Only Son, so that everyone who **believes in Him** will **not** perish but have **eternal life**. **John 3:16** (**John 3; Romans 10:8-13; Ephesians 1:13-14**)

You must personally **Trust in Him, Believe In Him, Surrender to Him, Follow Jesus Christ** as your **LORD, KING, GOD** and Savior ... If you want to receive **His Forever Forgiveness** → do this **today!**

If we confess our sins, He is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 1 John 1:9

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