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Program for Sunday, February 21, 2021. Service online.

Call to Worship: We Praise You

Way Maker

Welcome, Announcements and prayer:

Services Online. Regretfully, we cannot meet due to health regulations. Services will be online until further notice. Please subscribe and watch the Friday email announcements for any changes.

Bible Study: Self-Administered Spiritual Gifts Questionnaire has been mailed out (US Postal mail). If you did not get one, and you would like one, Pastor Larry needs your snail mail address. For questions, please contact the church. Jonah, the reluctant preacher, is our new series by teleconference. The call in number is long distance: (848) 777-1212, PIN 925 324 1096#. I email the questions (or snail mail) out on Monday or Tuesday. For questions, please contact the church.

Sonja Sellers is interested is having a book club discussion of John Ortberg's "The Life You've Always Wanted." Books are available everywhere books are sold. Please email Sonja directly at sonjasellers1@me.com, with your email address with a phone number to use to contact you so Sonja can send you a zoom invite. If you need assistance with Zoom, she can walk you through the process.

The Board has sent the 2021 annual meeting with budget information. Please remember to return your vote via mail (or drop off at the green house).

Thank you for your continued financial support of MDC.

Please contact us for any needs, suggestions, or prayer requests:

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Adoration: This is Amazing Grace

Graves into Gardens

Message: Lame man meats the Jesus, the Master Healer

Response / Invitation: Reckless Love **Assurance / Sending:** Revolutionary

Close of Service

Message Notes:

Friday's Devotional: Isaiah 40:31. 2020 through 2021 will be the time that will be known as "weary." But God has promised strength, and that we can soar, run, and walk; all by faith in the God Who does not get weary!

Three weeks ago: Jesus schools the scholar.

H.E.A.R.T.	Nicodemus meets the Master Teacher
Habitation	Trusting in religious devotion to keeping laws
(of the heart)	for salvation.
Expectation (of the mind)	Somehow it would be enough.
Agitation/Alteration	Meeting the Teacher of God. Is Jesus the
(of the situation)	Messiah?
Revelation	You must be born again. It is a work of the
(of God / God's will)	Spirit.
Transformation	Seeking Jesus. (John 3)
(of the heart, mind, soul, will,	Using the system to defend Jesus. (John 7)
and life)	Identifying with Jesus. (John 19)

Two weeks ago: Samaritan woman meets the Love of God in Jesus

H.E.A.R.T.	Jesus seeks, respects, loves, and purposes the woman at the well.
Habitation (of the heart)	Belief in the Samaritan Jewish laws.
Expectation	When the Messiah comes, we will understand
(of the mind)	more.
Agitation/Alteration (of the situation)	Meeting the Love of God in Jesus.
Revelation (of God / God's will)	She must tell others of this person Jesus!
Transformation	My failures do not make me a failure.
(of the heart, mind, soul, will,	Using her testimony, she receives respect from
and life)	the village that shamed her.

Lame man meets the Healer of God in Jesus.

H.E.A.R.T.	Jesus heals the lame man and it is not enough!
Habitation (of the heart)	Trusting in magic for healing. Trusting in Pharisees' beliefs as guidance.
Expectation (of the mind)	If I just keep believing, but my world is against me.
Agitation/Alteration (of the situation)	Meeting the Healer of God in Jesus.
Revelation (of God / God's will)	You have been healed. Do not sin more.
Transformation (of the heart, mind, soul, will, and life)	Transformation did not happen. Instead, he snitched on Jesus!

Takeaways:

- Needy, desperate people are selfish people.
- People will impose their rules based religion on you.
- Jesus knew and still extended both grace and mercy.
- Believing in the wrong thing or in the wrong person is dangerous.
- If you are home, you are not alone. God is with you!

Luke 18:18-30 (Rich Young Ruler)

18 A ruler questioned Him, saying, "Good Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" 19 And Jesus said to him, "Why do you call Me good? No one is good except God alone. 20 "You know the commandments, 'DO NOT COMMIT ADULTERY, DO NOT MURDER, DO NOT STEAL, DO NOT BEAR FALSE WITNESS, HONOR YOUR FATHER AND MOTHER." 21 And he said, "All these things I have kept from my youth." 22 When Jesus heard this, He said to him, "One thing you still lack; sell all that you possess and distribute it to the poor, and you shall have treasure in heaven; and come, follow Me." 23 But when he had heard these things, he became very sad, for he was extremely rich. 24 And Jesus looked at him and said, "How hard it is for those who are wealthy to enter the kingdom of God! 25 "For it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God." 26 They who heard it said, "Then who can be saved?" 27 But He said, "The things that are impossible with people are possible with God."

Who is this guy?

Rich: Wealth = God's blessing, favor. Young: Managed wealth for the family.

Ruler: Synagogue leader.

Running: Desire was greater than custom.

Kneeling: Respect (worship). Respectful: Good teacher.

Seeking: Question; Inherit eternal life.

Conversation flow?

RYR: How do I inherit eternal life? Jesus: Half of 10 commandments.

RYR: Been there, done that. Still. [NOT TRUE!]

Jesus: One thing. Sell. Give. Get. Follow.

RYR: Sad.

Rich Young Ruler meets the Salvation of God in Jesus.

H.E.A.R.T.	Rich Young Ruler
Habitation (of the heart)	Trusting in his wealth and cultural customs.
Expectation (of the mind)	I just want a little bit more. (You have made us for Yourself, and our hearts are restless until they find their rest in You.)
Agitation/Alteration (of the situation)	Meeting the Salvation of God in Jesus.
Revelation (of God / God's will)	You have to let go of what you are holding to grasp the life that God has for you.
Transformation (of the heart, mind, soul, will, and life)	Transformation did not happen. Instead, he walked away sad!

Principles:

Sincerity is not enough.

The law does not bring eternal life.

The law brings death (conviction of sin).

The Law reveals the need for mercy and grace.

In order to receive mercy and grace through faith, I must be willing to let go of everything else.

Follow Jesus only. Am I? [Really?]

MDC wants to help. We are here for you.

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