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Church**

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Program for Sunday, May 8, 2022

Call to Worship: *Every Praise with MDC KIDS*
A Mother Like You with solo by Quinn

Children are dismissed to Sunday School at this time.

Welcome, announcements, and prayer:

- **Welcome and Thanks for joining us today!!!!**
- **Bible Study #7 this Wed., May 11th at 6:30 P.M.** at the MDC Green Fellowship House located at 1641 Bixler Road, Discovery Bay. All are invited as Pastor Larry continues the series on: **“Jesus – A Life Like No Other”**. Hard copies are available on the information table. To get on the email list for a pdf copy, please let us know via contact envelope. You can also join in via Teleconference – See the Bible Study or go to our website for the number to call.
- **The men’s breakfast** yesterday at Jalisco’s restaurant was great! We missed some of you.
- **If you’re interested in becoming a member of MDC or being baptized**, please contact Pastor Larry, Todd Scruggs or Gary VanBuskirk. You can also call the office at (925) 354-1096.
- **Please pick up Connect Cards/Envelopes** in back for offerings and prayer request and place in one of the offering boxes.
- **Thank you for your continued financial support of MDC.**
- **Please contact us** for any needs, suggestions, or prayer requests:
 - Pastor Larry Quinnell - PastorLarry@OurMDC.org
 - General Info. - Info@OurMDC.org
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Adoration: *Always*
What Beautiful Name

Message: A Living Hope and a Sure Foundation; 1 Peter

Response / Invitation: *Fairest Lord Jesus*

Assurance / Sending: *You’ve Always Been with MDC KIDS*
Close of Service

Message Notes:

Friday devotional: Thoughts on abortion: **Jeremiah 1:5** "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you,

And before you were born I consecrated you;
I have appointed you as a prophet to the nations."

Psalms 139:13-14 For You created my innermost parts;
You wove me in my mother's womb.

14 I will give thanks to You, because I am awesomely and wonderfully made;
Wonderful are Your works,
And my soul knows it very well.

Leviticus 17:11 For the life of the flesh is in the blood,

Psalms 127:3 Behold, children are a gift of the Lord,
The fruit of the womb is a reward.

Honor my mother: Love demands expression. Love delights in sacrifices.

- Love her verbally.
- Love her with physical affection.
- Love her patiently.
- Love her attentively.
- Love her gratefully.
- Love her generously (sacrificially).

Jesus' earthly ministry with the disciples:

- Taught the Word of God.
- Gave proof of His divinity.
- Predicted and suffered His crucifixion.
- Predicted and demonstrated His resurrection.
- Gives the gift of the Holy Spirit.

These are tools in their toolbox so that they can accomplish the mission He has for them.

Holy Spirit was sent to: Empower and Indwell

Why did the Holy Spirit empower?

- To remember accurately: John 14:26
- To preach with power: John 16:8
- To perform miracles that validate: Mark 16:20

How can I know that the Holy Spirit dwells in me?

- Prayer. Romans 8:26-27
- Desire to please God. Romans 8: 12-17
- Intimacy with God. Ephesians 3:14-19
- Serve God, His Kingdom, His Kids. 1 Corinthians 12:4-11
- Not miracles. Love. John 13:35

The Holy Spirit empowers the believer to have faith and to love, serve, and give for something that the believer cannot see now, but will see in the future.

Jesus still gives the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Because we need help:

- In Prayer.
- Living as God wants.
- Knowing God, His will, His Kingdom.
- Serving God, who we cannot see.
- Serving God's kids, who we can see.

The Last Supper of Jesus: **Remember.**

The Last Words of Jesus: **It is Finished.**

The Last Miracle of Jesus: **Believe.**

The Last Command of Jesus: **Make disciples.**

The Last Gift of Jesus: **Receive.**

1 Peter, the letter:

- From Rome (code name Babylon)
- To scattered Jews and Gentile believers in what is now North Turkey.
- Recorded by Silas (5:12)
- Written around AD 64, beginning of persecution (political, social, physical) by Nero
- Be encouraged and accept the challenges.
- Suffering happens.
- Hope matters.

Peter, the Apostle

- Fishing business.
- Followed John the Baptist until Andrew (brother) introduced Jesus.
- Jesus changed Peter's name from Simon to Peter (Rock).
- Leader and spokesperson for early church.
- Impulsive, selfish, quickly repentant
- Primary person for Jerusalem Church after resurrection.
- Traveled widely
- Introduced Gentiles to Jesus
- Tradition: Crucified upside down in Rome AD 68, Persecution by Nero

1 Peter 1:1 Peter, an apostle of Jesus Christ,

To those who reside as aliens, scattered throughout Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia, and Bithynia, who are chosen 2 according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, by the sanctifying work of the Spirit, to obey Jesus Christ and be sprinkled with His blood: May grace and peace be yours in the fullest measure.

3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His great mercy has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, 4 to obtain an inheritance which is imperishable and undefiled and will not fade away, reserved in heaven for you, 5 who are protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. 6 In this you greatly rejoice, even though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been distressed by various trials, 7 so that the proof of your faith, being more precious than gold which is perishable, even though tested by fire, may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ; 8 and though you have not seen Him, you love Him, and though you do not see Him now, but believe in Him, you greatly rejoice with joy inexpressible and full of glory, 9 obtaining as the outcome of your faith the salvation of your souls.

10 As to this salvation, the prophets who prophesied of the grace that would come to you made careful searches and inquiries, 11 seeking to know what person or time the Spirit of Christ within them was indicating as He predicted the sufferings of Christ and the glories to follow. 12 It was revealed to them that they were not serving themselves, but you, in these things which now have been announced to you through those who preached the gospel to you by the Holy Spirit sent from heaven — things into which angels long to look.

13 Therefore, prepare your minds for action, keep sober in spirit, fix your hope completely on the grace to be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ. 14 As obedient children, do not be conformed to the former lusts which were yours in your ignorance, 15 but like the Holy One who called you, be holy yourselves also in all your behavior; 16 because it is written, "YOU SHALL BE HOLY, FOR I AM HOLY."

17 If you address as Father the One who impartially judges according to each one's work, conduct yourselves in fear during the time of your stay on earth; 18 knowing that you were not redeemed with perishable things like silver or gold from your futile way of life inherited from your forefathers, 19 but with precious blood, as of a lamb unblemished and spotless, the blood of Christ. 20 For He was foreknown before the foundation of the world, but has appeared in these last times for the sake of you 21 who through Him are believers in God, who raised Him from the dead and gave Him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God.

22 Since you have in obedience to the truth purified your souls for a sincere love of the brethren, fervently love one another from the heart, 23 for you have been born again not of seed which is perishable but imperishable, that is, through the living and enduring word of God. 24 For,

"ALL FLESH IS LIKE GRASS, AND ALL ITS GLORY LIKE THE FLOWER OF GRASS.THE GRASS WITHERS,AND THE FLOWER FALLS OFF, 25 BUT THE WORD OF THE LORD ENDURES FOREVER."

And this is the word which was preached to you.

1 Peter: Takeaways

- We are a chosen people.
 - Because we are chosen, and because God is sovereign what happens is a part of His plan for us.
- We can praise God.
- Our eternal inheritance is guarded by God in heaven.
- The death and resurrection are the foundation of the believer's salvation.
- Our personal trauma should not blur our vision of Jesus, nor the hope of heaven that Jesus has for us.
- We have a new life, even though some of us are suffering.
 - We should not be surprised at suffering.
- Suffering is temporary, and can be used as a tool to cause us to become more intimate with God and chisel us to become more like Jesus Christ.
 - We can demonstrate the sincerity of our faith.
 - Our trials should not derail us from obedience to God, but rather drive us into deeper intimacy with God.
- Do not resent or resist trials in my life.
 - Regardless of circumstances, my life should show growth in obedience and holiness.
- We can demonstrate our hope by loving one another.
- God is the final judge of mankind.
- The Word of God, empowered by the Holy Spirit in the believer's life is the most reliable communication by God to the believer and is central to the believer's growth in Christ.
- Personalize the benefit of Christ's death and resurrection.
- God deals in futures. My future is more important than my past.

You are not alone. God is with you! MDC wants to help. We are here for you.

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