



# Mariner's **DISCOVERY Church**

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## ***Program for Sunday, October 11, 2020***

Call to Worship: We Praise You

The Lion and The Lamb

Welcome and Announcements

- For our outdoor worship service on the property, we are observing the mask and distancing protocols. Thanks to those who are attending! In support of our gathering together, please watch the e-mail announcements, as when it gets cold or rainy, we will be sending an announcement of moving to a video service again.
- Operation Christmas Child is coming up. Winona Gibson is going to be coordinating MDC's efforts. If you have questions, call (925) 354-1096
- Bible study, Wednesdays at 6:30 pm. We are studying: the experience of the Holy Spirit in a believer's life. The teleconference number is 1 (848) 777-1212 [long distance (New Jersey)].  
Meeting code: 925 354 1096# . Contact the church office if you are interested.
- Thank you for your continued financial support of MDC.
- Please contact us for any needs, suggestions, or prayer requests:  
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Adoration: Be Thou My Vision

Move (Get Lifted)

*Message:* Matthew 5:10-12 "Blessed are those who have been persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Response / Invitation: Surrounded (Fight My Battles)

Every Praise

**Close of Service**

## Message Notes:

**Friday devotional;** Ephesians 1:13,14 “In Him, you also, after listening to the message of truth, the gospel of your salvation—having also believed, you were sealed in Him with the Holy Spirit of promise, who is given as a pledge of our inheritance, with a view to the redemption of God’s own possession, to the praise of His glory.”

John 14:16-17 John 14:16-17 I will talk to the Father, and he'll provide you another Friend so that you will always have someone with you. 17 This Friend is the Spirit of Truth. The godless world can't take him in because it doesn't have eyes to see him, doesn't know what to look for. But you know him already because he has been staying with you, and will even be in you! (from The Message bible version)

### Matthew 5:1-12

When Jesus saw the crowds, He went up on the mountain; and after He sat down, His disciples came to Him. He opened His mouth and began to teach them, saying, "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven."

"Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted."

"Blessed are the gentle, for they shall inherit the earth."

"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied."

"Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy."

"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God."

"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God."

"Blessed are those who have been persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven."

"Blessed are you when people insult you and persecute you, and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of Me. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward in heaven is great; for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

## Matthew 5:1-12 The Spiral Staircase

Delight yourself in the LORD;

And He will give you the  
desires of your heart.

The persecuted.

The peacemakers.

The pure in heart.

The merciful.

Those who hunger and thirst for righteousness.

The meek / gentle.

Those who mourn.

The poor in spirit.

**Last week: Matthew 5:9 "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God."**

### **Peacemaker**

- Pursue wholeness and blessedness.
- Bridge builder. Reconciler.
  - Each of us to God.
  - Others to God
  - Us to others
  - Others to others.

### **Result**

- Blessed: Deep, Joyful, Contentment.
- Shall be called the sons of God.
- Position of Honor.
- Now and not yet.
- Someday and Eternal.

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### **The Who:**

- The Righteous.
- Believers who identify with Jesus.
- The Prophets.

### **The What: "Persecute"**

- Persecuted for righteousness.
  - Abel by Cain.
- Persecuted because of identifying with Jesus.
- Persecuted the prophets because they spoke the truth.
  - 2 Timothy 3:12 Indeed, all who desire to live godly in Christ Jesus will be persecuted.

### **The How: "Persecute"**

- Hebrews 11:35b-38 and others were tortured, not accepting their release, so that they might obtain a better resurrection; and others experienced mockings and scourgings, yes, also chains and imprisonment. They were stoned, they were sawn in two, they were tempted, they were put to death with the sword; they went about in sheepskins, in goatskins, being destitute, afflicted, ill-treated (men of whom the world was not worthy), wandering in deserts and mountains and caves and holes in the ground.

### **The How: “Persecute”**

- People insult you.
- Falsely say all kinds of evil against you.

### **The When:**

- “when” is whenever it happens.
- Not incessant, endless.

### **The Why:**

John 15:18-21 “If the world hates you, you know that it has hated Me before it hated you. If you were of the world, the world would love its own; but because you are not of the world, but I chose you out of the world, because of this the world hates you. Remember the word that I said to you, 'A slave is not greater than his master.' If they persecuted Me, they will also persecute you; if they kept My word, they will keep yours also. But all these things they will do to you for My name's sake, because they do not know the One who sent Me.”

### **The Response:**

- Rejoice and be glad.
- James 1:2-4 Consider it all joy, my brethren, when you encounter various trials, knowing that the testing of your faith produces endurance. And let endurance have its perfect result, so that you may be perfect and complete, lacking in nothing.
- Persecution because of Jesus is a sign of salvation.

### **The Reward:**

- Blessed. Blessed again.
- Kingdom of Heaven.
  - Now and in the future.
- Great reward.

If you are home, you are not alone.

God is with you!

MDC wants to help. We are here for you.

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