

February 21, 2021

"And he has given us this command: Whoever loves God must also love his brother." 1 John 4:21

FBCG Kids



Jonah ...

Calendar Events:

Feb. 17— 6 PM
Adult SS Leader Meeting

April 2/ 3 Family Easter Scavenger Hunt.
Register at www.fbcgreeneville.com/events

April 4— Easter Sunrise Service.
Also 9:00 and 10:30 AM services at FBCG.

April 9 & 10—Preteen Weekend for 4th, 5th, & 6th Graders. Register at www.fbcgreeneville.com/events

April 25, 4 PM in the CAC, VBS Leader Meeting.



Lesson 4

BIG BIBLE POINT: God showed Jonah a WHALE lot of grace!

READ: Jonah 1:17. It says, "Now the Lord provided a huge fish to swallow Jonah, and Jonah was in the belly of the fish for three days and three nights."

God could have let Jonah drown in the ocean but instead he sent a big fish to rescue Him! That's a WHALE lot of grace! God shows us grace too— He is always there to rescue us!

DRAW a large fish and include Jonah inside. Then write how you would feel being in a large fish's belly.

WATCH: "In the Belly of a Whale" - Newsboys.

Lesson 5

BIG BIBLE POINT: We can talk to God no matter where we are!

READ: Jonah 2. Jonah 2 is Jonah's prayer to God in the belly of a fish. Check out Jonah's prayer. **HIGHLIGHT** sentences you like, **CIRCLE** words you don't understand and **UNDERLINE** the most important sentence.

¹ From inside the fish Jonah prayed to the LORD his God. ² He said: "In my distress I called to the LORD, and he answered me. From deep in the realm of the dead I called for help, and you listened to my cry. ³ You hurled me into the depths, into the very heart of the seas, and the currents swirled about me; all your waves and breakers swept over me.

⁴ I said, 'I have been banished from your sight; yet I will look again toward your holy temple.'

⁵ The engulfing waters threatened me, the deep surrounded

me; seaweed was wrapped around my head.

⁶ To the roots of the mountains I sank down; the earth beneath barred me in forever.

But you, LORD my God, brought my life up from the pit. ⁷ "When my life was ebbing away, I remembered you, LORD, and my prayer rose to you, to your holy temple.

⁸ "Those who cling to worthless idols turn away from God's love for them.

⁹ But I, with shouts of grateful praise, will sacrifice to you. What I have vowed I will make good. I will say, 'Salvation comes from the LORD.'"

¹⁰ And the LORD commanded the fish, and it vomited Jonah onto dry land.

WATCH: Bible theater—Jonah & the Whale. <https://vimeo.com/352941770>

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Announcements and Resources



CHURCH APP—
The Church has an app, one more way to connect. The

app will continue to have features added. **Preschool and Children's Ministry families**



may use the Express Check-in to check-in and have the name badges printed at the Preschool Desk before arrival. Families are encouraged to get the Church App and to use the Express Check-in. You may check-in before Sunday morning. Consider setting a reminder on your phone to use this convenient feature!

The instructions for getting the Church App:

Note: This is available on both iOS and Android devices.

Step 1: Find and download "Church Center App" from your device's App Store

Step 2: Follow the prompts and select "Use My Location"

Step 3: After selecting Use My Location you should see and select the FBC logo

Step 4: After a few more easy steps and prompts (including receiving a text or email security code) you should arrive at the new FBC App.

Fruit of the Spirit

Lesson 2: To start off today's study, let's recap on [Galatians 5:16-22](#).

What were some things this passage convicted you of and compelled you to do?

After you've reflected on what was taught yesterday, read [Galatians 5:24-26](#).

Verse 24 says that because of what Christ did for us on the cross we can live a life that honors God! We can do this because God has equipped us! Having an active faith means that you are daily making a decision to pursue Christ and things that glorify Him in your life. It also means that you must be actively trying to cut things that don't honor Him out of your life!

So, how do we starve the flesh and feed the Spirit?

Seriously, how do we do this? Be specific.

Rewrite Galatians 5:24-26 in your own words below.

What passions and desires might interfere with your calling to live in step with the Spirit?

How do you deal with those temptations?

Read over your own version of Galatians 5:24-26 again. Ask the Lord to make those words

true of your life! Pray that you would be in step with Him and walking in a relationship with Him glorifying Him with your words, actions and heart.

Lesson 3: **What is the first fruit of the Spirit mentioned in Galatians 5:22? Why do you think it's first?**

The very first fruit of the Spirit we see in Galatians 5 is LOVE! Love is one of the most misused words in the world. It is used to describe everything from clothes, friends, food, movies, people, etc. Though we promise we "love" dozens of times throughout our day, the love mentioned in verse 22 is a different kind of love; it can only come from God. It's a love that is evidenced in someone's life that's walking with the Lord!

Read John 13:34-35.

How are we to love others?

How will people know that we are Jesus' disciples?

God's love for us is the anchor & example of how we are to love others. We should love others in the same attitude that Christ loves us-- selflessly. How hard is that to do?!? To love someone else selflessly— without thinking of how it benefits yourself.

Read 2 Corinthians 5:14-15.

What does this verse say about God's love for us?

How often do we "love" others to get something in return? (ex: a feeling, friendship, or because they did something for us first)

Read Deuteronomy 6:5.

How are we to love God? What does it mean to love God with all of our heart? Soul? Might?

Now, we know that God's love for us is amazing and selfless! We know that we are to love God with all that we have unashamed. Let's look at a passage that talks about what love looks like when we love others.

Read 1 Corinthians 13: 1-7.

How important is it for us to love others according to verses 1-3? Why is love so important?

In the space below list out each description of love found in verses 4-8. If you don't know what a certain word means look it up.

If you were to ask your family and friends to describe you in a few words would they use the words above to describe you? Would they say that you are kind and humble? Or patient? Or that you don't celebrate sin? That you are always honest?

This passage of Scripture is a famous declaration and vivid description of what it really means to love someone. If you say that you love someone or wonder if someone truly loves you this is a checklist you can use! So often we as young ladies just give our hearts away without realizing what/who it is that we are giving them too. 1 Corinthians 13 gives us a checklist to see if we are loving others like Christ.

As you close out this time today, re-read Deuteronomy 6:5. Ask the Lord to make those words true of your life! Commit to love the Lord with all of yourself today. Be specific in your commitment to God today.

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There is a **Prayer Wall** on the church website. The Prayer Wall is a place to post a prayer need or to pray for the needs that were posted.

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Mission Moment ...



Have you ever had an annual event that you looked forward to? One that each year, you could NOT WAIT til it was time to attend? Later this week, an annual educational conference will be hosted by SHARE. SHARE is an organization that provides education services for English-

speaking expatriate families living in Europe, Russia, Central Asia, and the Middle East. They offer academic and special needs testing. At these conferences, they offer a children's program, a youth program, adult break-out sessions, used book sale, and lots more. Families that attend look

forward to this time each year. The February conference is the largest conference. This year, it will be virtual. It is not the same, but at least the conference gets to happen. Please pray for the leaders, the families, and the students.