

February 28, 2021

"I am the LORD, and there is no other; apart from me there is no God. I will strengthen you, though you have not acknowledged me,"
Isaiah 45:5

Calendar Events:

April 2 or 3 Family Easter Scavenger Hunt. Register for a time slot. www.fbcgreenville.com/events

April 4 Easter Sunrise Service. Services also at the church, 9 AM, 10:30 AM

April 9-10, Preteen Weekend, 4th, 5th, 6th Graders. Register to attend. www.fbcgreenville.com/events

April 11, Preschool/ Children's SS resumes. 9AM For Adult SS contact SS Leader. For new families, we can connect you to a class.

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

May 9, Parent/ Child Dedication, 10:30 AM. Contact Kim to participate.



FBCG Kids



Jonah

Lesson 6

BIG BIBLE POINT: God gives us second chances!

READ: Jonah 3. After Jonah is spit out of the big fish, we see in chapter 3 that God gives Jonah and the people of Nineveh a second chance. Jonah gets a second chance to preach and the people get a second chance to turn away from their sins. God loves giving second chances!!

The people of Nineveh dressed in sackcloth—a rough garment made out of animal hair and cotton. They also didn't eat. They did this to show God how sorry they were! **DRAW** a picture of what you think they looked like.

WATCH: "Second Chances" by Rend Collective. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=W6RNJ6HDTpU>

Lesson 7

BIG BIBLE POINT: God loves our enemies and so should we!

READ: Jonah 4. We learned that Jonah got mad at God. He didn't get mad because God was mean but because he was so kind to his enemies in Nineveh. Jonah thought that was unfair.

God reminded Jonah that he loves all people—not just us! We need to be like Him and show His love.

Jesus said: "Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you. Bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you." (Luke 6:27-28).

BRAINSTORM some ways you can show God's love to people who are unkind!

WATCH: Jonah and the Vine— Bible Theater. <https://open.life.church/items/104865-jonah-and-the-vine-mov>

Lesson 8

BIG BIBLE POINT: God always gets the last word!

The book of Jonah ends with God having the last word. God reminds Jonah that He is the One in charge! He always does the right thing because He is God.

God has the last word in our stories too. No matter what we face or where we are, He is in charge!

WRITE a short letter to Jonah telling him what you learned from his story!

WATCH: "The Cross Has the Final Word", Newsboys <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jl1E6s-5hVI>

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This completes the Jonah study.

Announcements and Resources



As of Sunday, April 4, we will have new times on Sunday morning.

9:00 AM—Worship service/ Sunday school
10:30 AM—Worship service/ Sunday school

Sunday, April 11, Preschool, Children's and Student

Sunday school will resume. Some adult classes will resume. **Preschool/ Children's SS will be at 9:00 AM. Preschool Extended Care will be at 10:30 AM.**

In addition, we will begin a class for K—6th grades, called Take TWO, in the Kindergarten SS Room, during the 10:30 AM hour.

The Take TWO class will attend the music portion of the worship service and then return to the classroom for a lesson. This will be an



additional discipleship opportunity for our children.

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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Fruit of the Spirit

The next fruit of the spirit listed in Galatians 5 is joy! Think of someone in your life that you would describe as joyful. **What is it that makes you think of that person right away? Is it their attitude? Their smile? Their humor?**

What does it mean to be joyful?

The definition of joy is more than being happy-- it means being content & being satisfied.

Read 1 Peter 1:8-9.

Even though we can't see God like we can another person, we believe that He exists. The belief that God is for us and loves us and has saved us through His Son, Jesus Christ, brings us JOY! We find contentment in knowing that no matter what we go through that God is on our side.

How does Peter describe joy in these verses? What do you think he is saying?

Read Psalm 4:7

We find our joy in knowing that God will always provide for us. He makes us more content than anything on earth can, even food.

Read Psalm 43:4.

What does the Psalmist describe God as? How should we respond to God?

Psalm 43 says that we are to respond to God by praising Him! Being joyful doesn't mean that you always have to have a smile on your face or a "positive spin" on things. It means that you are able to see the bigger picture! To be joyful means that you are content and trust that God is there and will come through. That no matter what it is that you're going through you can trust that God will be glorified through it.

Take a moment and list a few areas in your life that make you anxious or you feel don't bring you joy. Maybe it's a relationship, family, future related worry, etc.

Now, take a deep breath and ask the Lord to bring you joy in those specific situations listed above. Ask that He be glorified through them. Ask He would help you trust Him and find your joy in knowing who He is!

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Mission Moment ...

This week's Mission Moment will be PRAYER AND PRAISES from around the world.

Samaritan's Purse 2020 REPORT: **PRAISE**—"As we look back on 2020, we praise God that over 1.3 million decisions for Christ were made, over 3.5 million children were disciplined, and over 9 million gifts were packed, collected, and processed!"

Carla: **Praise**—"Last week one parent contacted me to say that her child wanted to be baptized. Today (Sunday), after church, another child said that she would like to be baptized."



Luke: **Please pray** for our family of 6 as we travel back to our home overseas. (Four children: infant—6 years old). **Please pray** that the children travel well and that the family transitions well back to live overseas. **Please pray** for the COVID testing and results to be received in time for our returned flights.

Angela: **Please pray** for our friends whose 14-year old daughter passed away in an automobile accident.

Adina: **Praise** for the 30 women who turned their hearts to Jesus Christ and chose to follow Him.

Eric: **Please pray** that we are able to purchase the house we are currently renting. **Praise** for the new families that have been visiting the church during this season of COVID. **Praise** for those participating in the Community Prayerwalking each week.

Laura: **Prayer** for a place to live in the community near where our ministry is located.

Prayer for a pastor's wife on her second round of radiation treatment and two missionary ladies battling cancer, each at different stages.

Thank you for your prayers.