

**Transforming lives through
biblical friendships**

A Winter Sermon Series from Pastor Ross



CHURCH OF THE CANYONS

To lovingly proclaim Jesus to everyone and
to teach believers to love, obey and serve Him.

Service of Worship

January 10, 2021

Transforming lives through biblical friendships: Lessons from Jesus and his disciples.

Selected Scripture

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Welcome

Bill Childers, Elder

10,000 Reasons (Bless The Lord)

Be Thou My Vision

Announcements

Memory Verse

John 13:34-35

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Family Prayer & Offering

Worship in the Word

Pastor Ross Lokken

“How Great Is Our God”

Closing Prayer/Dismissal

Postlude

10,000 Reasons (Bless The Lord)

**Bless the Lord O my soul O my soul
Worship His holy name
Sing like never before O my soul
I'll worship Your holy name**

The sun comes up it's a new day dawning
It's time to sing Your song again
Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me
Let me be singing when the evening comes

You're rich in love and You're slow to anger
Your name is great and Your heart is kind
For all Your goodness I will keep on singing
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find

And on that day when my strength is failing
The end draws near and my time has come
Still my soul will sing Your praise unending
Ten thousand year and then forevermore

*Worship Your holy name
Lord I'll worship Your holy name*

Be Thou My Vision

Be thou my vision O Lord of my heart
Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art
Thou my best thought, by day or by night
Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light

Be thou my wisdom, and Thou my true word
I ever with Thee, and Thou with me Lord
Thou my great Father and I Thy true son;
Thou in my dwelling, and I with Thee one


Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise
Thou mine inheritance now and always
Though and Thou only, first in my heart
High King of heaven, my treasure Thou art

**O God be my everything, be my delight
Be Jesus my glory, my soul satisfied (3X)**

High King of heaven, my vict'ry won,
May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
Still be my vision, O Ruler of all

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We wish to welcome our visitors & new attenders. Please fill out a registration card you will find at the check-in tent. That way we can send you info on upcoming events or changes coming up.

 **NOTICE OF CHANGE OF SERVICE TIME** 
Starting today, Sunday, January 10, we will hold **BOTH** outdoor in-person & live-streaming services at 10:00am.

NEW CHURCH DIRECTORY

We are putting together a new church directory! And yes it is digital! It is by invite only & accessible only to our church members, so it will be very secure. Also, everyone will get to choose what info to share about themselves & their family & upload a photo of the family & individuals. Whether you decide to share your info or not, we'd love for you to all log in & make sure we have your correct contact info. We'd like to encourage everyone to share at least their name & a recent photo so everyone new & old can know who you are & learn your name.

So, if you are a member or a regular attender, you will receive an email today (Sunday 1/10) from our Church Center app asking you to log in, check your info, & choose what info you'd like to share in the directory. Once the invite goes out you can also download & log in to the Church Center app on your phone to update your info & view the directory or do it online at

churchofthecanyons.churchcenter.com.

If you have any questions please reach out to Bryan Kirby at kirbybryanp@gmail.com.

YOUTH GROUP

If you would like to provide a Wednesday night meal for our Youth Group, let Ku know. We have openings beginning this Wednesday, January 13.

COMMUNITY GROUPS & BIBLE CLASSES

resume this week. **CORE** is now meeting @ 1pm Sundays at the Kettering home.

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Praying with the COC Family, January 10, 2021

HEALTH ISSUES/PRAISES

- ***Flo Yom** - Her daughter **Danielle** has Covid.
- ***The FONSECAS** - **Daniel, Martha, and Daniel's mom** are in the hospital with Covid.
- ***Carolann Martin - Bruce Jamison** is in the hospital with a blockage in his larynx.
- ***Karen Kettering** - A bone spur is tearing through her Achilles tendon. It is related to a spinal injury. If it doesn't heal, she is looking at a surgery that is very hard from which to recover.
- ***Gloria Stolarski** - Recovering from open heart surgery & is doing well.
- ***Pam Childress** - Her sister **Laurie** is in the hospital with Covid. Her **brother-in-law** has Covid but is home. Pam's **mother** lives with Laurie. Pray she does not get sick.
- ***Annette Montoya** - She needs surgery for a torn rotator cuff & a knee replacement. Pray for wisdom in making some decisions concerning work & a possible move. Pray also for a quick approval of her disability claim.
- Betty Arenson** - Great grandson **Tommy**, 5, recovering from last week's surgery, will have an ultrasound in two weeks. Pray the results are good.

OTHER ISSUES/PRAISES

Congratulations to Sierra Tatone & Julia Phillipps! They each made the Dean's List at Biola.
Praise! Two members of our Youth Group were baptized last Sunday.

ON-GOING PRAYERS

- USA** - Pray for a peaceful inauguration & transition of leadership in our country. Keep the President; federal, state, & local leaders; armed forces (including our own Andrew Pattison & Chris Jakeman); police, fire fighters, & healthcare workers in prayer.
- COC Search Teams:** Pastor & Worship Director Search Teams.
- COC** - Pray for Pastor Ross, COC leadership, & COC finances.
- On-going health issues** - Debbie Arter, Susan Tew, Wamie Taylor, Ketterings, Perry Lawrence, Susan Lentini, Lia Kirby, Betty Arenson, Dolly Van Houten's brother (Jim), & the Sheldens.
- Missionaries** - Tim & Linnea Sandvall - AWANA; Malakars - Asia; The Bible Tabernacle - Local; SCV Pregnancy Center - local; Holmquist - Church Planting; Stucky - South America; Zeller - Middle East; Gravino - Italy; India Orphanage - India; Loshbough Retired EFCA missionary
- Persecuted Christians** - Pray for our brothers & sisters around the world who are persecuted for their faith in Christ. Hostility against Christians is increasing in India. Hindus are regularly persecuting & killing Christian in an attempt to make India completely a Hindu country.

* New or updated

Baby Watch

Dan & Annalee Davis are expecting another baby, June 5th.





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Sunday Message Notes for 1/10/2021

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THEME: Jesus shows us three characteristics of friendship:
intentionality, love, and forgiveness.



INTRODUCITON

Three characteristics of friendship shown by Jesus to His disciples and to us:

1. Choosing his disciples shows intentionality.

2. The new command to love one another gives the key to holding friendship together.

3. Forgiving Peter reminds us of the need to extend and receive one another's forgiveness.

CONCLUSION



How Great Is Our God

The splendor of the King clothed in majesty
Let all the earth rejoice, all the earth rejoice
He wraps Himself in light and darkness tries to hide
And trembles at His voice, and trembles at His voice

How great is our God sing with me
How great is our God and all will see how great
How great is our God

And age to age He stands and time is in His hands
Beginning and the End, beginning and the End
The Godhead three in one, Father, Spirit, Son
The Lion and the Lamb, Lion and the Lamb

How great is our God sing with me
How great is our God and all will see how great
How great is our God

Name above all names, worthy of all praise
My heart will sing how great is our God (2X)

How great is our God sing with me
How great is our God and all will see how great
How great is our God



A message from the Santa Clarita Valley Pregnancy Center

SANTICTY OF HUMAN LIFE (SOHL) SUNDAY
is January 24th.

An average of **90-95% of women at risk for abortion choose life** when they receive an ultrasound. And, this year, SCVPC has seen more clients interested in Bible studies with **5 new-believers' Bible studies** recently concluding. SOHL Sunday is a great time to support life affirming medical care and Gospel outreach to those facing an unplanned pregnancy through an offering. Please visit their website (scvpc.org) to make a financial "Love" gift.

An average of 1 in 14 women in our churches are struggling with grief and loss associated with a past abortion. SCVPC offers **Post Abortion Bible studies**.

You, Church of the Canyons, are a blessing, and we praise the Lord for what He does through you in your church, in this community *and for your partnership in saving lives (unborn and eternal).*

CONTACT INFO FOR COC MINISTRIES

AWANA: Matt Phillipps awana@churchofthecanyons.org 661.252.1600
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Year-To-Date Financial Health as of 11/30/2020

Budgeted Offering	\$ 246,221
Actual Offering	\$ 189,552
Actual Expenses	\$ 175,338
Reserves - Added/Used	\$ 14,214

Financial Corner

January 3, 2021 (Week #27)

Weekly Offering	\$ 11,539.20
Weekly Budget	\$ 11,191.85
\$ Variance	\$ 347.35
GF YTD Offering	\$ 251,883.56
GF YTD Budget	\$ 302,179.85
\$ Variance	\$ (50,296.29)
% Variance	-16.6%

If you have an emergency, feel free to contact an elder.

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 Bill Childers (661) 252-1600
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*You may also email the office at
info@churchofthecanyons.org or
linda@churchofthecanyons.org or
 call the secretary, Linda, at 661.713.4892.*

Questions about Christianity? In need of prayer? Want to be baptized or become a COC member? See one of our pastors, elders, or staff, or contact the office at 661.252.1600 or via email info@churchofthecanyons.org.

Pastoral Staff

Ross Lokken: Interim Senior Pastor

Ku Khang: Youth Director

Matt & Kari Phillipps: Children's Ministry Directors

Christian Ransom: CORE Director

Elders

Bill Childers, Matt Davis, Fred Largent,
 Ross Lokken, Bob Phillipps, Chris Rojas