### Living the Life That Christ Has For You

Dr. Jack Graham

Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life. 1 John 5:12

We're spoiled with choices when it comes to buying automobiles today. If you watched the Super Bowl last night for any length of time, chances are high that you'll see a car commercial. From SUVs to pickup trucks to electric cars, there's almost no limit to the bells and whistles you can add to your journey from point A to point B.

And do you know why that is? It's because buying cars today is about more than just finding something to get you around. We want to arrive at our destination with the satisfaction that comes with enjoying our journey. There's an innate sense within all of us that the journey matters!

Now in a very real way, life is a journey to our eternal destination, isn't it? But when a lot of people read today's verse, they automatically assume that what it means here is 'eternal life'. Now, while I completely agree that eternal life in heaven is encompassed in the 'life' we're reading about, it's not the only subject here!

The apostle John is writing here about an earthly and heavenly life that is qualitatively different than a life apart from Christ. It's a life with a distinctiveness that sets it apart from all other kinds of living—a life that matters.

When you trust in Christ, you'll have a more fulfilling earthly and heavenly life. So remember that while the world provides pleasures that seem good, they are nothing compared to the life you can live by following Christ!

YOUR EARTHLY JOURNEY AND ETERNAL **DESTINATION WILL BE FOREVER CHANGED FOR THE BETTER BY TRUSTING IN CHRIST ALONE!** 





**Everyone Needs Three Homes** 

Ephesians 3:14-21

### I. A Heavenly Home

- A. A Place Prepared for You John 14:2 "
- B. A Place of Joy

Revelation 21:4

- C. A Place that is Eternal Luke 16:9
- D. A Place Where we dwell with God 1<sup>st</sup> Jn 3:2 Revelation 21:3

#### I. A Heavenly Home - leads to a:

### II. A Church Home

A. A Place made up of Family

Matt. 23:8

Romans 12:5

Ephesians 1:4

Ephesians 2:19

B. A Place of Affection and Honor toward others Romans 12:10

C. A Place of Comfort

1<sup>st</sup> Thessalonians 2:7

1<sup>st</sup> Thessalonians 2:11-12

- I. A Heavenly Home
- II. A Church Home

### III. A Christian Home

A. A Place of Happiness

Psalms 127:4-5 B. A Place of Christ-like Love Ephesians 5:25 C. A Place of Family Unity Colossians 3:19 Eph. 6:4 D. A Place Where God is Praised Deuteronomy 14:26

Conclusion: Do you know that you have a Heavenly Home? This is the most important question. If not, vou can make sure today! Do vou have a Christian home? You can be the founder and president of one! And make sure you have a Church Home. God will lead you...make sure you follow!



Open house fellowship at Pastor Doug and Michelle Cook's home.

February 25th, 2-4 PM. 29740 W. Whitton Ave. Buckeye, AZ 85396



February 19, 2023

Welcome to Harvest Baptist Church

If you are visiting with us for the first time, we hope that you have already received a warm welcome from our Church Family. Our prayer is that the singing, teaching and preaching of the Word of God will meet a need in your heart and life.

## **HARVEST BAPTIST CHURCH**

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Men's Prayer Meeting 9:00 am Morning Worship 10:00 am Sunday Evening 6:00 pm Wednesday Prayer & Bible Study 7:00 pm

# Harvest Baptist Church

'Where church still feels like church'

## Worship Service

Welcome and Opening Prayer Choir Special Psalms 96: 2

When The Roll Is Called Up Yonder - 463 Greetings & Brief Fellowship

**Announcements** 

Jesus Is Coming Again - 125
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Prayer
Special Music
Message: Pastor Cook
Invitation

**Closing Prayer: Pastor Cook** 



### ASSISTIVE LISTENING DEVICES

are available for use during the church services. Please see Robert in the sound booth if you wish to use this equipment.

## **Events and Opportunities**

### THANK YOU

Thank you to all our church members who give of their time, energy and talents to keep our church looking nice.

Saturday February 25 - 9:00 AM
Wisi alion Ministry



Ladies' Bible Study
Tuesday - February 28
10-11 AM in the
missionary quarters.

- \* Business Meeting tonight after the evening service.
- \* Wednesday, February 22nd, our missionary, Josiah DeCunha, will be speaking and giving a missionary update.
- \* Sunday evening, May 7th, WCBC Tour Team will be preaching/singing. The leaders and 2 girls will stay in the missions apartment, and we will need a place for 2 young men to stay. A meal will need to be provided after the evening service for the ministry group.

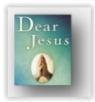
  Contact Marlene Pedersen or Carol Moeller if you are able to help with lodging and or meal.

Please read and pray over the opportunities handout. Ask the Lord how you might participate in a ministry opportunity. Your involvement is appreciated.



### **OFFERING UPDATE**

	For The Week of 2/12/2023 - 2/18/2023	Month Total February
General	2,589.00	12,813.64
Missions	1,175.00	3,080.00
TOTAL	3,764.00	15,893.64
Native American Missions, Inc.	600.00	2,300.00
Registrations and Fees	135.00	180.00



Holiness is letting Me live through you. Since I dwell in you, you are fully equipped to be holy. Pause before responding to people or situations, giving My Spirit space to act through you.

Holiness is one of those virtues that seems so exclusive. If I strive to be holy, I'm in danger of falling prey to serious sins. Especially pride and hypocrisy. Yet your word clearly instructs me to be holy. I am intrigued by the idea that holiness is a matter of letting you live through me. That seems more feasible than trying with all my might to be good.

Beloved, be careful not to confuse being holy with trying to appear holy. The Pharisees fell into that trap, parading their pretension of holiness on street corners, at banquets, in the temple, wherever they found an audience. I reserved some of my strongest condemnation for them and their hypocrisy.

When you became a Christian, I put the Holy Spirit in you, thus equipping you to be holy. However, you are still vulnerable to the world, the flesh, (sinful nature), and the devil. These three conspire against holiness, tempting you to respond to people and situations in your old, habitual ways. My Spirit will not force his way on you. So it's easy for you to ignore His inner Presence. That's why I encourage you to pause before responding, inviting the Spirit to live and love through you. Remember that I am Christ in you, the hope of glory. The more you know Me and love Me, the easier it is for you to let Me live through you. Without your even realizing it, intimacy with Me transforms you into My likeness, My holy image.

1 Peter 1:15-16 Romans 8:9 Colossians 1:27

Sarah Young