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Sunday Morning Worship (10:00 am)
· www.nhccftl.org/sunam
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· www.nhccftl.org/after
Wed. Night Bible Study (6:30 pm)
· www.nhccftl.org/acts
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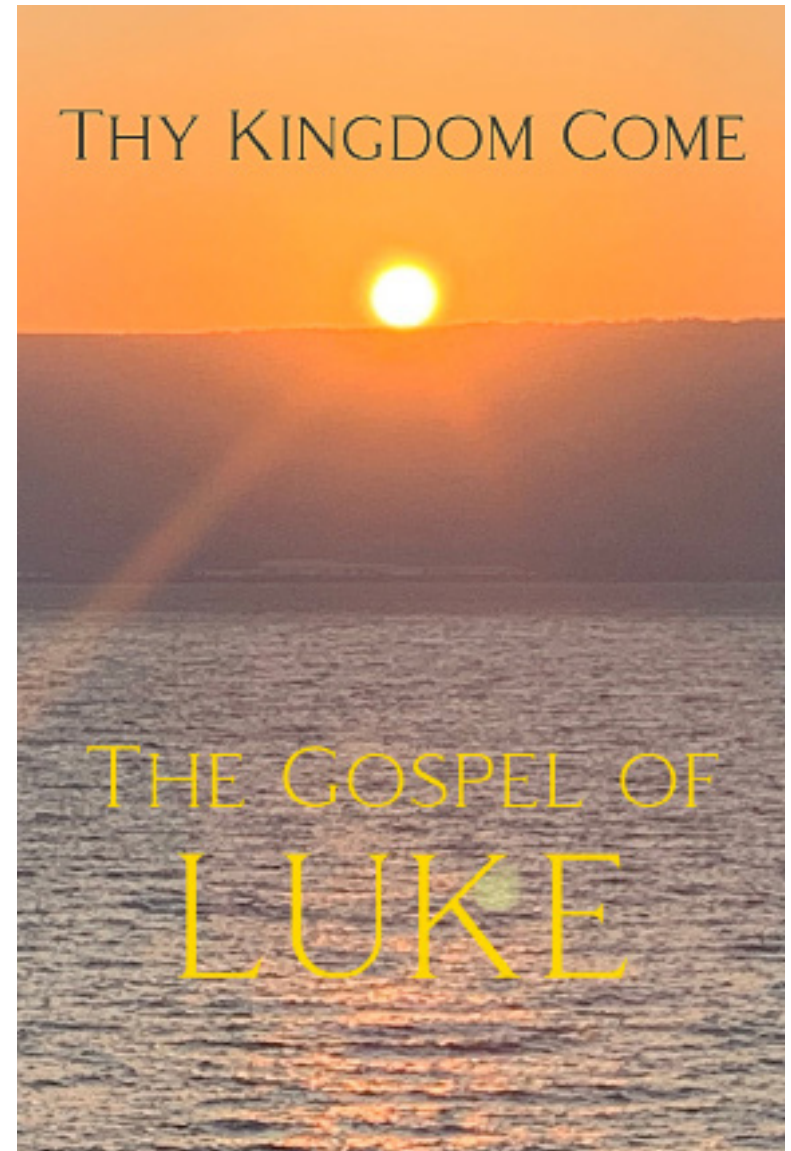
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Worship Service

April 23, 2023

10:00 a.m.

Announcements

Call To Worship: "When Morning Gilds the Sky"

Welcome And Invocation To Worship

Moment In The Word: John 12:24-26 Deacon Frank Medina

Singing Together:

"What Love, My God"

"The Lord is My Salvation"

"Glory to the Lamb"

Responsive Reading: Matt. 6:25-34

Prayer For The Gathering

The Lord's Prayer

Doxology

Friendship Time

Offertory and Special Music: "Glorious Day"

** Dismissal of Children's Church

Scripture Reading: Luke 9:57-62

Prayer For Illumination

Message: "The Great Discipleship Puzzle"

Prayer for Understanding

Response Song: "His Name Is Life"

Benediction

Choral Benediction: "The Lord is My Salvation"

Discipleship Opportunities

The AfterChurch

Immediately after the Service

On campus & streamed*

*Seeking Deeper Illumination...
from God's Word.*

Youth AfterChurch meets in the old
choir room until 1:00 p.m.

Wednesday Night Bible Study

On campus & streamed 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday Night Youth Group

*On campus from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.
6th - 12th grade*

J.A.M. Club

On campus from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

K - 5th grade

Saturday Bible Studies (2nd & 4th

Saturdays)

* Men's Breakfast at 7:30 a.m.

Women's Ministries Prayer Team

Third Saturday of each month.

9:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

Women praying for women.

We Thank Those Who Serve Today

Sound Booth Bob Timmer
 Anita Orsini

Ushers Steve Shoemaker
 Bill Slager

Greeter Frank Medina

Treats Lois Wilson &
 Dora Medina

Nursery Lois Wilson

Prayer Needs

Ashley Williams
Nancy Gritter
Carmen Adorno and husband John
Donna Weyd
Grace Karim
Bobbie Sayre
Dee Miller
Paul & Anna DaCosta

Prayer Chain: prayer@nhccftl.org

Birthdays

Jephthe Lucien	April 15
Grace Karim	April 19
Barbara Koss	April 20
Ruth Brown	April 25
Wayne Comer	May 1
Sydnee Comer	May 3
Brandy Andrews	May 12
Michael S. Barrett	May 16
Moreen Bennett	May 19

Anniversaries

Mark & Mary Travers	May 12
Preston & Naomi Rogers	May 17
Rick & Anita Orsini	May 18

This Week...

23	Worship Service:	10:00 a.m.
	AfterChurch	11:45 a.m.
	Wednesday Night	6:30 p.m.
26	J.A.M. Club, Youth Group, and Adult Bible Study	

Announcements

Welcome to New Hope Community Church!

Scripture Reference: Luke 9:57-62 (ESV)

Offerings -

- Today's tithes will support the ministries of New Hope Community Church.
- Today's Special Offering is for: Technology.
- Next Sunday our Special Offering is for the Major Building Repairs

Giving Opportunities -

- Offering Boxes are located at the back of the church. Please drop your offerings as you exit or enter the Sanctuary.
- Online Giving can be made at www.nhccftl.org/give

Tithes and Offerings -

4/16 General \$6,545
4/16 Special \$ 322

Special Offering Schedule

4/23/23 Technology
4/30/23 Major Building Repairs
5/7/23 Parent Outreach
5/14/23 Benevolence
5/21/23 NHCS Scholarship
5/28/23 Sanctuary Fund

Important - Children's Church and Nursery: is available for those who arrive before 10:45 a.m. Families with children who arrive later are welcome to use the lobby if needed.

Save the Date! VBS: "Dare to be a Daniel," June 26-30, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

The Haiti Item for the Month of April is: Dry Food Goods, such as beans and rice. Offerings are also needed to cover the cost to ship each box to Haiti. This includes boxes, tape, shipping charges and rental truck and gas to the container in Miami each month.

Missions Emphasis Weekend:

We are excited to announce Missions Weekend May 6 & 7, 2023! On Saturday night we will have our famous spaghetti dinner, silent auction, & talent show! All proceeds will go to benefit future NHCC Missions teams. The cost of dinner will be \$10 per person or \$25 for immediate family. Please invite your family and friends. Sign up sheets for the dinner, items for the silent auction and talent show participants are in the lobby.

New Members Class: We will be scheduling a New Members Class soon and several of you have expressed interest in attending. The New Members Class is where we teach what we believe, preach and practice at New Hope and therefore has been an edifying class whether you are ready to become a member or just want to know what we believe. We will be announcing dates and times soon so sign up today!

Luke 9:57. As they were going along the road, someone said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go."

Luke 9:58. And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head."

Luke 9:59. To another he said, "Follow me." But he said, "Lord, let me first go and bury my father."

Luke 9:60. And Jesus said to him, "Leave the dead to bury their own dead. But as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God."

Luke 9:61. Yet another said, "I will follow you, Lord, but let me first say farewell to those at my home."

Luke 9:62. Jesus said to him, "No one who puts his hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God."

Synopsis: "The Great Discipleship Puzzle"

After being rejected by a Samaritan village Jesus and His entourage hit the road-- His face resolutely turned towards Jerusalem. "Discipleship" is His central focus as He addresses three men who profess their intent to be disciples but have mitigating circumstances that impede them. We will carefully analyze the validity of their excuses and the sometimes harsh way Jesus exposes the real reasons they hesitate to follow Him. Using several well-known analogies from Jesus' other discussions of radical discipleship, we will recognize that discipleship is like a great puzzle with many pieces, scattered throughout Scripture. In this message we will begin to identify and arrange those pieces, to grasp how central radical discipleship is to the establishment and growth of the Kingdom of God, and ultimately to understand our place as followers of Christ in the Great Discipleship Puzzle.

"The Great Discipleship Puzzle" - Luke 9:57-62

I. Introduction

A. Pieces of the Puzzle.

1. The narrow gate, Matt. 7:13-14.
2. Bearing our own crosses. Luke 9:23,27.
3. The Vine, the branches, and the Vinedresser, John 15:1-2.

II. Exposition of the text, Luke 9:57-62.

A. Context

1. Lessons in discipleship.
2. Preparing for lessons in radical discipleship.

B. How NOT to be a disciple.

1. Setting the scene, vs. 57a.
 - a. Another arbitrary time and place.
 - b. Harmonizing with Matthew's Gospel, Matt. 8:18.
 - c. An anonymous speaker.
2. The "over-zealous" disciple wanna-be, vs. 57b-58.
 - a. The enthusiastic proclamation, vs. 57b.
 - b. Christ's response, vs. 58.
 - i. The graphic analogy of "comfort".
 - ii. The spiritual meaning.
 - iii. Hurdles to discipleship.
 - 1) The shallow soil.
 - 2) A common problem.
3. The "under-zealous" disciple wanna-be, vs. 59-60.
 - a. The refused invitation, vs. 59.
 - i. The invitation, Matt. 8:21, Luke 5:27, 9:23.
 - ii. The lame excuse.
 - iii. Choked by the thorns.
 - b. Jesus' harsh answer, vs. 60a.
 - i. Determining the context.
 - ii. "Scandalous hyperbole".
 - c. The Kingdom commission, vs. 60b.
 - i. The scope of the commission, Matt. 29:19.
 - ii. The focus of the commission, Matt. 6:33.

4. The danger of looking back, vs. 61-62.

- a. The entanglements of relationships, 61.
 - i. The impossible juxtaposition.
 - ii. The entanglements of the world.
 - 1) The example of Elisha, 1Kings 19:20-21.
 - 2) Discerning the difference, Luke 9:23.
- b. No looking back, vs. 62.
 - i. A Greek proverb.
 - ii. How it relates to the man, Luke 14:26-27.

III. Application

- A. Revisiting the three discipleship analogies.
- B. Applying the analogies.
 1. The two ditches.
 2. The third ditch.
 3. The object of the exercise.
- C. The worst possible solution.

IV. Conclusion

Notes

Worship Songs

April 23, 2023

When Morning Gilds the Sky

When morning gilds the skies, My heart awaking cries;
may Jesus Christ be praised!

Alike at work and prayer, To Jesus I repair;
may Jesus Christ be praised!

The night becomes as day When from the heart we say,
may Jesus Christ be praised!

The pow'rs of darkness fear, When this sweet song they hear:
may Jesus Christ be praised!

Ye nations of mankind, In this your concord find:
may Jesus Christ be praised!

Let all the earth around Ring joyous with the sound:
may Jesus Christ be praised!

Be this, while life is mine, My canticle divine:
may Jesus Christ be praised!

Be this th'eternal song Thro' all the ages long:
may Jesus Christ be praised!

Moment in the Word: John 12:24-26

John 12:24. Truly, truly, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it bears much fruit.

John 12:25. Whoever loves his life loses it, and whoever hates his life in this world will keep it for eternal life.

John 12:26. If anyone serves me, he must follow me; and where I am, there will my servant be also. If anyone serves me, the Father will honor him.

What Love, My God

What love, my God, would bring You down to earth?
What king would take a low and lonely birth?
Yet to this dark and broken place You came,
To sleep beneath the stars that You had made.

What love my God, would send the way of life,
To walk the road, rejected and despised.
That You might know the weakness I possess,
And be my rock of strength and righteousness

O Your love, my God, like a flood,
As heaven opened up pouring out on us.
O praise the King who came to the world.
In His love like a mighty flood.

What love, my God, could hold You to the tree,
To bear that overwhelming debt for me.
The Son of heaven leaves the Father's side,
The Healer bleeds, the life was made to die.

O Your love, my God, like a flood,
As heaven opened up pouring out on us.
O praise the King who came to the world.
In His love like a mighty flood.

What love my God, so gracious and extreme,
Was strong enough to come and fight for me,
To go through hell and down into the grave.
And raise me up to see You face to face.
You raise me up to see You face to face.

O Your love, my God, like a flood,
As heaven opened up pouring out on us.
O praise the King who came to the world.
In His love like a mighty flood.

O Your love, my God, like a flood,
As heaven opened up pouring out on us.
O praise the King who came to the world.
In His love like a mighty flood.
In His love like a mighty flood.

The Lord is My Salvation

The grace of God has reached for me,
and pulled me from the raging sea.
And I am safe on this solid ground,
the Lord is my salvation.

I will not fear when darkness falls,
His strength will help me scale these walls.
I'll see the dawn of the rising sun,
The Lord is my salvation.

Who is like the Lord our God?
Strong to save, faithful in love.
My debt is paid and the vict'ry won!
The Lord is my salvation.

My hope is hidden in the Lord.
He flow'rs each promise of His Word.
When winter fades I know spring will come.
The Lord is my salvation.

In times of waiting, times of need,
when I know loss, when I am weak,
I know His grace will renew these days.
The Lord is my salvation.

Who is like the Lord our God?
Strong to save, faithful in love.
My debt is paid and the vict'ry won!
The Lord is my salvation.

And when I reach my final day,
He will not leave me in the grave,
But I will rise, He will call me home!
The Lord is my salvation.

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Who is like the Lord our God?
Strong to save, faithful in love.
My debt is paid and the vict'ry won!
The Lord is my salvation.

Glory be to God, the Father,
Glory be to God, the Son;
Glory be to God, the Spirit,
The Lord is our salvation.
(repeat)

Glory to the Lamb

Glory, glory, glory to the Lamb.
Glory, glory, glory to the Lamb.
For He is glorious and worthy to be praised,
The Lamb upon the throne;
And unto Him we lift our voice in praise,
the Lamb upon the throne.
(repeat)

Glory, glory, glory to the Lamb!

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Responsive Reading: Matt. 6:25-34

[Pastor:] Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, nor about your body, what you will put on. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing?

[Congregation:] Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they?

[Pastor:] And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life?

[Congregation:] And why are you anxious about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin,

[Pastor:] yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these.

[Congregation:] But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is alive and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you, O you of little faith?

[Pastor:] Therefore do not be anxious, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?'

[Congregation:] For the Gentiles seek after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them all.

[Pastor:] But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.

[All:] Therefore do not be anxious about tomorrow, for tomorrow will be anxious for itself. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble.

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him, all creatures here below.
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.
Amen.

Glorious Day

One day when heaven was filled with His praises,
One day when sin was as black as could be,
Jesus came forth to be born of a virgin,
Dwelt among men, my example is He.
Word became flesh and the light shined among us;
His glory revealed.

Living, He loved me,
Dying, He saved me.
Buried, He carried my sins far away.
Rising, He justified freely forever,
One day He's coming,
Oh glorious day, oh glorious day.

One day they led Him up Calvary's mountain,
One day they nailed Him to die on a tree.
Suffering anguish, despised and rejected,
Bearing our sins, my Redeemer is He.
Hands that healed nations, stretched out on a tree,
And took the nails for me.

Living, He loved me,
Dying, He saved me.
Buried, He carried my sins far away.
Rising, He justified freely forever,
One day He's coming,
Oh glorious day, oh glorious day.

One day the grave could conceal Him no longer,
One day the stone rolled away from the door,
Then He arose, over death He had conquered,
Now has ascended, my Lord ever more.
Death could not hold Him,
The grave could not keep Him from rising again
[rising again].

Living, He loved me,
Dying, He saved me.
Buried, He carried my sins far away.
Rising, He justified freely forever,
One day He's coming,
Oh glorious day, oh glorious day.

Oh glorious da-ay, oh glorious da-ay.

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One day the trumpet will sound
for His coming [for Your coming].
One day the skies with His glory will shine
[glories will shine].
Wonderful day, my Beloved One, bringing [my Savior].
My Savior, Jesus, is mine.

Living, He loved me,
Dying, He saved me.
Buried, He carried my sins far away.
Rising, He justified freely forever,
One day He's coming,
Oh glorious day, oh glorious day.

Oh glorious da-ay, oh glorious da-ay.

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His Name Is Life

His name is Master, Savior, Lion of Judah,
Blessed Prince of Peace;
Shepherd, Fortress, Rock of Salvation;
Lamb of God is He.
Son of David, King of the Ages, Eternal Life;
Holy Lord of Glory - His name is Life.

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My debt is paid and the vict'ry won!
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