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Join Us: Pumpkin & Pie Sunday
Sunday, October 29

A Friend in Jesus

Pastor Paul Chappell | October 22, 2023

Text: John 15:11-15

"These things have I spoken unto you, that my joy might remain in you, and that your joy might be full. 12 This is my commandment, That ye love one another, as I have loved you. 13 Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. 14 Ye are my friends, if ye do whatsoever I command you. 15 Henceforth I call you not servants; for the servant knoweth not what his lord doeth: but I have called you friends; for all things that I have heard of my Father I have made known unto you." (John 15:11-15)

John 15:1-18
Living in Jesus

INTRODUCTION

"I cried unto the LORD with my voice; with my voice unto the LORD did I make my supplication. 2 I poured out my complaint before him; I shewed before him my trouble. 3 When my spirit was overwhelmed within me, then thou knewest my path. In the way wherein I walked have they privily laid a snare for me. 4 I looked on my right hand, and beheld, but there was no man that would know me; refuge failed me; no man cared for my soul." (Psalm 142:1-4)

secretly, ambushed

be my friend

1. JESUS Declares HIS LOVE (v. 12)

A. Love Stated

HE LOVES UNIVERSALLY

- the world

HE LOVES UNCONDITIONALLY

- whosoever

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." (John 3:16)

"A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another." (John 13:34)

B. Love Defined

"Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that he loved us, and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins." (1 John 4:10)

the complete payment for a debt

This is how God shows

2. JESUS Displays HIS LOVE (v. 13)

A. A Sacrificial display (demonstration)

WHEN HE CAME DOWN TO US

lived

"And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth." (John 1:14)

Jesus

WHEN HE WAS JUDGED BY CAIAPHAS AND BEATEN

High Priest

beat

"And the men that held Jesus mocked him, and smote him. 64 And when they had blindfolded him, they struck him on the face, and asked him, saying, Prophesy, who is it that smote thee?" (Luke 22:63-64)

Roman Soldiers

WHEN HE WAS TAKEN TO PILATE AND HEROD AND WAS SCOURGED

Roman Governor of Jerusalem

WHEN THEY PULLED HIS BEARD

WHEN HE WAS FLOGGED (Beaten)

formed pole WHEN THE CROWN OF THORNS WAS PLACED ON HIS HEAD

"And when they had platted a crown of thorns, they put it upon his head, and a reed in his right hand: and they bowed the knee before him, and mocked him, saying, Hail, King of the Jews!" (Matthew 27:29)

WHEN HE WENT TO CALVARY (the cross)

"Hereby perceive we the love of God, because he laid down his life for us: and we ought to lay down our lives for the brethren." (1 John 3:16)

"For when we were yet without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly. 7 For scarcely for a righteous man will one die: yet peradventure for a good man some would even dare to die. 8 But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us." (Romans 5:6-8)

"For if, when we were enemies, we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, being reconciled, we shall be saved by his life." (Romans 5:10)

demonstrates

rarely

B. A Substitutionary demonstration

HE TOOK OUR PLACE (Sacrifice)

"Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it;" (Ephesians 5:25)

HE TOOK OUR SIN God the Son, Jesus

"For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him." (2 Corinthians 5:21)

"For therefore we both labour and suffer reproach, because we trust in the living God, who is the Saviour of all men, specially of those that believe." (1 Timothy 4:10)

God the Father

3. JESUS Develops OUR LOVE (v. 14)

A. As We Trust Him

TRUST HIS GOSPEL

"Moreover, brethren, I declare unto you the gospel which I preached unto you, which also ye have received, and wherein ye stand; 2 By which also ye are saved, if ye keep in memory what I preached unto you, unless ye have believed in vain. 3 For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures; 4 And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures:" (1 Corinthians 15:1-4)

Death Burial Resurrection

"Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved." (Acts 4:12)

Jesus

"That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. 10 For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation." (Romans 10:9-10)

TRUST HIS WORD

"With my whole heart have I sought thee: O let me not wander from thy commandments. 11 Thy word have I hid in mine heart, That I might not sin against thee." (Psalm 119:10-11)

B. As He Identifies with Us V15

Quote: "Friendship is a reciprocal relationship characterized by intimacy, faithfulness, trust, unmotivated kindness, and service."

"A friend loveth at all times, and a brother is born for adversity." (Proverbs 17:17)

"To the praise of the glory of his grace, wherein he hath made us accepted in the beloved." (Ephesians 1:6)

God the Father

God The Son

CONCLUSION

"A man that hath friends must shew himself friendly: and there is a friend that sticketh closer than a brother" (Proverbs 18:24)

"Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me. 2 In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. 3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also." (John 14:1-3)

"Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live:" (John 11:25)

to neglect a commitment

"The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance." (2 Peter 3:9)

Quote: "A man may go to heaven without health, without riches, without honors, without learning, without friends; but he can never go there without Christ."

"These things I command you, that ye love one another." (John 15:17)

