

Emmanuel Prayer Needs

Easter Praise and Drama Follow-up

- We give thanks and praise for the real Easter story as we celebrated our risen Saviour who loved us so much He endured the cross to pay for our sins and then rose again in victory over sin and death.
- As the church staff pray and begin to follow-up with the response cards, we also pray the hearts and the understanding will be open:
 - as an invitation is given to accept Jesus as Saviour
 - to the invitation to come to church and learn more about Jesus
 - to dedicate their lives and returning to the Saviour
 - to having someone pray for them.
- We pray the Holy Spirit continues to work to draw those who saw the drama and were willing to sign cards asking for prayer/calls.
- We pray against the enemy who would distract people & cause them to forget how the Holy Spirit stirred their hearts as they watched the Easter Drama.
- We thank all involved in the drama for their hard work - learning lines, directing the actors, singing and playing instruments, making costumes, building the sets and putting them up / tearing down, transporting props to storage, the extra work and time for staff who coordinated the advertising and mailing out invitations...so many did so much to make the drama a success THANK YOU!

Study Continued

10. Read John 6:64-66 and verse 70. Jesus points out that it is the enabling power of the Holy Spirit that saves us. We can't come to Christ on our own. Without the power of the Holy Spirit, we will fall away, just like Judas, just like those who couldn't understand His teaching. How has the Holy Spirit kept you strong in difficult times?
11. Read John 6:67-69. Pastor Peter gave 3 essentials to win the battle for our soul. What are they? Explain each one personally.
12. Read aloud verses 68-69 and make them personal.



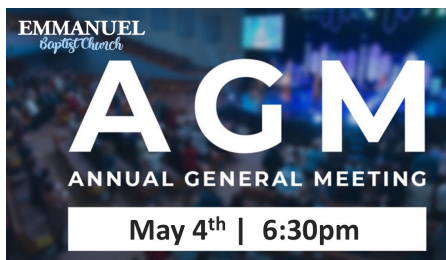
The Battle for your Soul

John 6:53-70

"You do not want to leave too, do you?" Jesus asked the Twelve.

Simon Peter answered him, "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and to know that you are the Holy One of God."

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The Battle:

THE BREAD

Background:

Jn 6:29 The work of God is this, _____

v.33-34 The bread of God is the bread that _____

The people's response:

Jn 6:35 _____ the bread of life

THE BATTLE

Jn 6:55 For my flesh is _____ food and my blood is _____ drink

Jn 6:60 On hearing it, many of his disciples said:

Things that the enemy uses to cause people to walk away:

Jn 6:57 ...so the one who _____ will live because of me.

Jn 6:63 The words I have spoken to you - they are full of the _____ & _____.

1 Cor 2:14

Eph 6:10-12 Be strong in the Lord and in His mighty power. Put on the full armour of God so that....

THE BELIEF

Jn 6:67 "You do not want to leave too, _____?"

Essentials:

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Jn 6:68-69 Simon Peter answered him, "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to _____ and to _____ that you are the Holy One of God."

1. What are some of the reasons and circumstances that cause people to walk away from God and the Church? What about you?

2. Read John 6:25-35. What were the people looking for from Jesus?

3. What is the significance of Jesus saying, "I Am the bread of life?"

4. Read John 6:53-58. What do you think the people thought when Jesus said, in verse 55, "my flesh is real food and my blood is real drink?"

What is Jesus teaching us?

5. What does it mean that the one who "feeds on me will live because of me?"

6. Read John 6:60-63. What do you think of what Jesus said in verse 63, "The Spirit gives life; the flesh counts for nothing."

7. Jesus explained that what He was speaking about was to do with the Spirit. Now read 1 Corinthians 2:14. How does the Holy Spirit make the difference in our understanding of spiritual things?

8. Pastor Peter said that there is a battle going on for your soul, it is a very real battle, and we need to stand firm in the face of an enemy who wants to destroy the work of God in your life, and cause you to walk away. Read Ephesians 6:10-12. What do these verses say about the battle?

9. Read Ephesians 6:13-18. Give a brief description of how each of part of God's armour protects us from the enemies onslaught.

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