Sermon Questions - May 12, 2024 How to Have Life - 1 John 5:9-13

Warm Up Questions

What are some things/methods that people say lead to a good, long life? Have you tried any of these suggestions? If so, how did it turn out for you? Do they actually lead to the good life?

What are some various ways you have heard people describe who God is? Are they valid descriptions of God? Where do people get their understanding about God?

Content Questions

What is this testimony that John is talking about? Which testimony is greater, human or God's?

Where do people who believe in the Son of God keep their testimony? What does that mean?

What is the testimony according to John in verse 11? What does it mean that it is in his Son?

Why does those who have the Son have life, while those who do not, do not have life? What does it mean to not have life?

To whom does John say he is writing these things to? What is his purpose in writing these things?

What does John mean when he says tat Jesus Christ came by water and blood?

Application Questions

What testimony do you have about God in Jesus Christ in your heart? Do you have something prepared to say if someone asks you about Jesus? Have you ever told someone about Jesus?

What does it mean to believe in Jesus? What sorts of obstacles are there to believing in Jesus? How do we overcome these obstacles to faith?

Do we have any responsibility in knowing Jesus Christ? How does knowing Jesus Christ change our lives? How do those changes impact our outlook in life and how we live our lives? In And this is the testimony:

God gave us eternal life,

and this life is in his Son.

12 Whoever has the Son has life;

whoever does not have the Son of God

does not have life.

1 John 5:11-12 (NRSV-UE)

Sunday Worship Service ~ Happy Mother's Day ~ May 12, 2024

Welcome

Opening Prayer

Songs of Praise and Worship

O Praise Him

Holy Is the Lord

Greeting One Another with the Peace of Christ

Children's Message

Announcements

Sharing Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Offering

Offertory

Doxology

Dedication Prayer

~ 5th grade and younger are welcome to stay in service or ~ attend Children's Church following the Dedication Prayer.

Focus Worship

All to You

I Surrender All

Scripture Reading: 1 John 5:9-13

Message: How to Have Life

Pastor Mark Terayama

Response Song

Shout to the North

Benediction

²⁵ She is clothed with strength and dignity; she can laugh at the days to come. ²⁶ She speaks with wisdom, and faithful instruction is on her tongue. **Proverbs 31:25-26** (NIV)

& ANNOUNCEMENTS GS

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY - We thank God for the vast blessing of mothers, grandmothers and mother figures in our lives!

PENTECOST - Next Sunday, May 19th is Pentecost. Please wear red as reminder of the coming of the Holy Spirit.

MEMBERSHIP CLASS - If you are interested in baptism or church membership, a new class will start *next Sunday*, following service.

WORSHIP LIVESTREAM - We are no longer streaming through Zoom. If you would like to watch our livestream, it can be viewed on our Facebook page or via YouTube.

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EXECUTION VOLUNTEERS **CS**

Children's Church	05/12	~ Volunteers Needed ~
- Pentecost	05/19	~ Volunteers Needed ~
- Memorial Day Wknd	05/26	~ Volunteers Needed ~
Coffee Hour	05/12	Congregational Life
Coffee Hour - Pentecost	05/12 05/19	Congregational Life ~ Volunteers Needed ~

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► FINANCIAL REPORT ✓

	April		2024 YTD		2024 Budget		
Income	\$ 9,780.94	\$	73,574.73				
Expense	\$ -12,715.60	\$	-55,752.97	\$	180,036.00		

	April		May	2024 YTD		
Food Bank	\$	215.00	\$	15.00	\$	570.00

~ Blessings of Mothers on Mother's Day ~

For our mothers, who have given us life and love, that we may show them reverence and love, we pray to the Lord...

For mothers who have lost a child through death, that their faith may give them hope, and their family and friends support and console them, we pray to the Lord...

For women, though without children of their own, who like mothers have nurtured and cared for us, we pray to the Lord...

For mothers, who have been unable to be a source of strength, who have not responded to their children and have not sustained their families, we pray to the Lord...

Loving God, as a mother gives life and nourishment to her children, so you watch over your Church.

Bless these women,

that they may be strengthened as Christian mothers.

Let the example of their faith and love shine forth.

Grant that we, their sons and daughters,
may honor them always with a spirit of profound respect.
Grant this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

(BOOK OF BLESSINGS, U.S.A. 20th Cent., Alt)