

SERMON STUDY GUIDE

Week of 5.27.24 Exodus 33:1-11 // Rick Duncan

Please take the opportunity to revisit the CVC Equip

<u>Portrait of a Healthy LifeGroup</u> on a regular basis

CONNECT (10 MIN)

Has there ever been a time in your life when you felt like you disappointed God? If so, how close to or far from God did you feel in that season? What passage of Scripture, person, or experience reminded you of His grace for you in that season?

EXPLORE (30 MIN)

Create Context (5 min): There is no sermon recap video this week.

Study & Discussion (25 min)

The Bible refers to these particular Israelites in Moses' day in other ways:

Stiff-necked: Exodus 33:3 Rebellious: Deuteronomy 9:24

Murmuring / Grumbling: Numbers 14:27 Stubborn / Disloyal / Unfaithful: Psalm 78:8 Contemptuous / Disbelieving: Numbers 14:11

Distrusting: Deuteronomy 1:32

When you are running away from God, which of these terms describe you? What would your kids... or your spouse... or your friends say?

- How ok are you with just getting \$5 worth of God in your tank as long as He gives you a nice house and a good job and a happy family life and good health and a few friends and some fun along the way?
- What are your "ornaments"? What is it that sparkles in your life that you need to remove because it is getting in between you and the Lord? What would it look like for you to eliminate that ornament as an act of repentance because you are mourning your sin and the fellowship that you've lost with the Lord because of it?



- The people of God went out from the camp to seek the Lord. What do you need to leave behind to seek God? From what and from whom do you need to separate? What could going to a "tent of meeting" look like for you?
- When you sin and feel unworthy to experience the presence of the Lord, how will you remind yourself of the intercession of Jesus in your behalf? What does it look like to rest in the grace and truth of the gospel, while at the same time seeking to live holy and faithful lives before the Lord?

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

- 10 Things You Should Know About Church Membership // Alexander
- How To Expose the Idols In Your Life // Carter
- We Become What We Worship // Beale

APPLY (30 MIN)

- What modern idols might we be tempted to worship today? How can we identify and forsake them? (hint use the article above. It's really good!)
- Reflect on the consequences of the Israelites' sins and 2 Thessalonians 1:7-10.
- Discuss the seriousness of God's judgment and the necessity of obedience to the gospel.

PRAY (15 MIN)

- Pray for strength to resist the allure of modern idols.
- Pray for the leaders of your church as they seek to guide and guard the congregation from sinful behavior.
- Pray for increased purity of thought, word, and deed within the body of CVC.
- Pray for CVC to be a church filled with a robust understanding of sin, the gospel, grace, and faithfulness to God.



EQUIP ANNOUNCEMENTS

Week of 5.19.24

Please take a moment to share these announcements with your group.

More information on each item can be found by scanning the QR codes.

SEND/SERVE

Loose Change For Life

CVC Broadview Hts. is partnering with the Cleveland Pregnancy Center again this year to collect loose change between Mother's Day and Father's Day. Even a little goes a long way when it comes to helping save the lives of the unborn. Grab a baby bottle from the foyer beginning on Mother's Day and bring it back with your loose change on Father's Day! To donate online, <u>click here</u>.



CVCYOUTH

Frontlines Summer Camp: Registration Closes June 9th

CVCYouth is calling all 5th to 12th graders to embark on a journey of endurance, encouragement, and enjoyment this summer at CVCYouth's annual summer camp, Frontlines Survivor 2024. Inspired by the TV show Survivor, we aim to discover how to not only survive but thrive amidst life's ups and downs. Registration is open until June 9th. Click <u>HERE</u> to sign up.



COMMUNITY LIFE

Women's Night Of Worship & Prayer

Join us for an evening of fellowship, worship, and prayer. There's something special about the bond between women of faith. Share stories, laughter, and encouragement as we build each other up in love. This event isn't just for those already within our church family; it's a welcoming space for all women seeking spiritual nourishment and connection. Registration is NOT required and childcare will be provided.



SAVE-THE-DATES

CVCKids Sports Camp: July 22 - 26, 2024