

Table Group Weekly Experience

May 16, 2021

Mixer

Could you live in a tiny house? Where would you like to put it?

Neighborly - Daily Devotional

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- 1. In Pastor Ken's 5/12/21 entry, On Christ the Solid Rock I Stand, he reminds us of the shifting sands of morals in our culture. Hebrews 2:1 "We must pay careful attention, therefore, to what we have heard, so that we do not drift away." As you reopen your life post-pandemic, has God gotten your attention about something? His Spirit is still tethered to you like a lifeline are you resolved to come back to the familiar beach?
- 2. In Pastor Harry's 5/14/21 entry, *Thermostatic*, he gives us some good rocks to help us determine if we have drifted in our relationships and other areas. "Don't let what was once a miracle become commonplace...." Identify some Ows! in your life. Can you trust the Miracle Worker (God!) to help you get the WOW! back?

Sermon Notes - How to ReOpen Your Life

Part 4: The Writing On The Wall - Jared Herd

Scripture: Daniel 5: 1-6, 13-28, ; 1 Samuel 16:7; James 1:23; Luke 11:20

- 1. How are you doing so far in reopening your life, emerging from the fire as a better person?
 - How have people responded to your standing when the "music of Babylon" plays?
 - Are you embracing your fiery furnace refinement and what does that look like?
 - Are you setting down some rocks in your circles? How does that feel?
- 2. How does knowing that "God can play both sides of the chessboard" help you with understanding that God rules and reigns in the tension of the kingdoms of this world? (globally, nationally, your own community)

- 3. How do you accept that God's Word (Scripture) is meant to confront who you are? Are you using Scripture as just a "nailed it" (confirmation; pat on the back), or are you using it as a mirror to be transformed to look more and more like Christ?
- 4. Is your heart okay? How do you put your heart on the scales and move from pride to humility? Remember the Litmus Test:
 - How many questions do you ask?
 - Look at your consumption when you are squeezed by life.
- 5. Does God's judgment of Belshazzar in Daniel 5 create in you a sense of urgency for checking your heart and reading your Bible in a "faithful" way (vs religious)?

Go Deeper - with Goodbook

Dr. Mark Strauss & Pastor Ken Ingold Volume 2 - The New Testament Story

Week 17 || Chapter 8 || Letters to Gentile Christians (1 & 2 Peter; 1, 2 & 3 John; Jude)

- 1. What are the underlying themes of each of these letters?
- 2. What are some examples of false teachings today that can lead the church astray?
- 3. Why is being grounded in God's Word so important, both for the early church and for Christians today? What does being grounded in God's Word look like for you?
- 4. John gave us three "Tests of Life" in Christ. What are they and how are they a measuring tool of us having "life" in Jesus?

*Are you joining the Goodbook Q&A Zoom on Tuesday evenings? Email ken@thechurchrb.org

Serve

Mark your calendars for the next Good Neighbor Day, Saturday, June 26!

Pray

Pray James 1:23 this week: God, You are my mirror and You show me who I am designed to be. I marvel that You don't give up on me. So today, by Your Spirit, give me the desire more and more to carve out time for You, to sit with You and Your Word, and to let it wash over me. I don't want to see myself reflected back in the mirror any longer, but to see the transformed, new me You have planned all along. Make it so, LORD. In Jesus Name. Amen.