

How To Ruin A Great Homecoming?

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- ▶ Jesus came to save us from our sin, not our problems.
- ▶ We can either get rid of our disobedience, or Jesus.

TAKING IT HOME

Looking back at this week's teaching and study, what is most important for you to remember? Explain why.

Prayer Requests:

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Christmas Tree Sales for Community Service

Community Service will be pre-selling Christmas trees, wreaths and garland to help raise money for the 2011 Weekend of Service. Trees can be picked up on Dec. 3 or 4 at the Vista campus. Order online at store.northcoastchurch.com/christmas, in the Plaza during weekend services, or at the church office during the week. Contact Ashleigh at 760-724-6700 x 251 or aeamest@northcoastchurch.com with questions.

Serve Thanksgiving Dinner

Michaëlle House provides a home where men and women disabled by HIV/AIDS can receive comprehensive care and services to rebuild their health and return to independent living. This project includes cooking dinner and eating with the residents on Thanksgiving Day. Sign up online at northcoastcommunityservice.org. Contact Ashleigh at 760-724-6700 x 251 with questions.

Growth Group Homework

For the week of November 7, 2010

QUICK REVIEW: Looking back at your notes from this week’s teaching, was there a particular point, verse or comment that caught your attention, challenged you or raised a question?

MY STORY

1. It’s no surprise that most of us at times wish God would do certain things or be someone different than He really is. Complete the following sentence:

“In all honesty, at times I wish God would be or do...”

2. Jesus has good news for us all. Looking back at your spiritual journey, which of the four audiences mentioned in this week’s teaching do you relate to the most and why?

DIGGING DEEPER

1. This weekend we heard how the expectations of the “religious” in the synagogue were totally misaligned on what Jesus was going to do for them – they thought their religious practices and affiliation with Jesus was going to provide special benefits and privileges. How do you see similar progression of thought and rationale in 1 Samuel 4:1-10?

In reality, what do these previous verses in 1 Samuel 2:30-35, tell you what God was really after?

Can you think of any modern day examples of how we expect things from God that in reality He has not promised us?

2. Sometimes we can misinterpret God’s promises by claiming them without realizing there’s context and conditions in which they can be claimed. Read the verses below and answer the question in each column.

Promise	Possible Misinterpretation	Fuller Context/ Condition
Joshua 1:8-9		v. 7
Philippians 4:19		v. 10-12
John 15:15		v. 9-14

3. Being surprised when the God we want may be different than the God we get can definitely be a bit unsettling. What do these verses tell you about the true nature of the God we follow?

Psalms 86:5

Hebrews 12:5-6

Hebrews 12:28-29

2 Thessalonians 1:5-6

1 John 4:16

Which of these attributes are most important for you to remember and why?