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HOW CAN I KNOW I AM GOING TO HEAVEN?

Step #1: Realize God loves you. “For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish, but have eternal life.” John 3:16

Step #2: Realize you are separated from God because of sin. “For all have sinned and come short of the glory of God.” Romans 3:23

Our solution: People try to earn their way to heaven through good works, religion, morality, etc. “There is a way that seems right to a man, but in the end it leads to death.” Proverbs 14:12

God’s solution: A relationship with Jesus Christ who died on the Cross and rose from the grave, paying the penalty for our sin.

“...For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus.” 1 Timothy 2:5, “For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God – not by works, so that no one can boast.” Ephesians 2:8-9

Step #3: Receive Jesus Christ as personal Savior. “If you confess with your mouth, ‘Jesus is Lord,’ and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.” Romans 10:9
You may wish to use the sample prayer below. “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.” Romans 10:13

“Dear God, I now believe that you love me, died on the cross and rose from the dead for my sins. I admit that I have sinned and I right now ask You to come into my life, forgive me, and take me to heaven whenever I die. I want to follow you as Lord for the rest of my life.

In Jesus Name, Amen.”

If you have believed...welcome to the Family of God! If you have made a decision for Christ, please tell our staff, or if you have questions, call the church office at (540) 473-2861.

WELCOME

TO FINCASTLE BAPTIST CHURCH

we're *glad* you're here



FINCASTLE CAMPUS

WE EXIST TO GLORIFY GOD BY HELPING OTHERS
KNOW GOD • GROW IN GOD • LIVE FOR GOD

DECEMBER 5, 2021



give blood, give life

BLOOD DRIVE

Tuesday, December 7

3:00—7:00PM

Register at redcrossblood.org
or by calling the Church office
(540) 473-2861

CHURCH BUSINESS MEETING

Sunday, December 12th at 12:00pm in the
Worship Center. At this meeting we will be
considering the 2022 Ministry Investment
Plan. Copies of the 2022 Ministry
Investment Plan are available in the
Main Street for Members to review.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 12 6:00PM



Cookies & Cocoa Reception following the Christmas Program

Wednesday, December 8th

11:00— 1:00PM

Join us for this fun time of Worship and Fellowship.
We will have a special guest speaker and boxed
lunches will be provided. Registration is required.
You can register online fincastlebaptist.org, on the
Church Center App under the Event Tab or by calling
the Church Office at (540) 473-2861.

Christmas
Senior Luncheon

December 8

Wednesdays in December

Wednesday, December 8th at 6:15PM -

Dr. Mynor Vargas will be here to give us an update on our church planting efforts in Guatemala. He oversees the church planting efforts of Hope of Life International in Guatemala as President of Crown Theological Seminary, he is a pastor, an author of multiple books and the leader of a Chaplain Ministry with outreaches throughout Central and South America.

Kids Club and Ignite will meet as normal.

Wednesday, December 15th at 6:15PM -

We are partnering with Rise Against Hunger where we will pack over 2,000 bags that equal 14, 256 meals that will be delivered to Haiti, Nicaragua, etc. Each meal bag will serve up to a family of six. Kids Club and Ignite will meet for their Christmas Parties.



CHILI DINNER

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 15TH 5:00—6:00PM

We are excited to bring back a FBC Christmas Tradition with the Chili Dinner. We will eat and fellowship together in the Gym prior to packing food bags with Rise Against Hunger. Various Chili's will be provided and there will be Hot Dogs for those who don't like chili. Bring a dessert to share.

Candlelight Christmas Eve Services

2:00 & 4:00PM

Both Campuses

Invite cards are
available in the
Main Street

CHRISTMAS PHOTO BOOTH
AVAILABLE IN THE
MISSIONS CAFÉ



FBC Family Christmas Tree Tradition

At FBC, it is a tradition to decorate a Christmas tree with ornaments from each family. If you're new to FBC or have never participated, please join the tradition by bringing an ornament labeled with your family name and the year. We will keep your family's ornament from year to year. You may place your ornament on the family Christmas tree in Main Street anytime during the Christmas season.

Fincastle Kids Club Christmas Party

WEDNESDAY, December 15th

Ignite Christmas Party

Wednesday, December 15th

Middle School @ 6:15 | High School @ 7:45



We will be decorating with Christmas poinsettias. You can assist us in doing this by purchasing a flower in honor or in memory of a loved one. If you would like to, please fill out this tear off form and drop it in the offering plate along with your payment of \$10 per flower today. You may take your poinsettia home anytime after the Christmas Eve service.

☐ In Memory of

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Christmas Offering

All gifts to the Christmas Offering need to be above our normal tithe and will be allocated to:

- ◆ 14,256 food bags (Rise Against Hunger)
- ◆ International Mission Board (Lottie Moon Offering)
- ◆ Church Planting (Rockbridge Co., Montana, Guatemala)
- ◆ Church Building Fund for debt retirement

The Christmas Offering will be received through Christmas Eve. You may use the offering envelopes provided in the chair backs or as always, you can give electronically via the app or at www.fincastlebaptist.org

Did you know...

\$10.00 Provides 1 month of missionary training

\$75.00 Feeds a child overseas for 1 Year

\$100 provides supplies for a missionary to serve in a refugee camp for a week.

\$300.00 Provides training for a Church Planter in Guatemala

\$2,400 Provides a 6 month salary for our Pastor in Bella Vista, Guatemala.

Through offerings last year to International Missions, FBC and partner SBC churches engaged with 247 people groups, saw 144,322 people saved, 86,587 people were baptized, 769,494 people heard the gospel, trained 127,155 pastors, planted 18,380 churches, assisted 2,400 widows or retired pastors and much more.

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FINDING GOD'S LOVE AT CHRISTMAS

Christmas Traditions - Part #2

Pastor Kevin Cummings – December 5, 2021

I John 4:7-21; I Corinthians 13:1-13

I. God's love _____. (I John 4:7-21)

A. God's love is _____. (v. 7-8, 16; John 3:16)

1. God loves you. He always has, He always will.
2. God will never love you any more than He does right now, and He will never love you any less.

B. God's love is _____. (v. 9-10)

"But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us." Romans 5:8

C. God's love is _____. (v. 11a)

1. It is uncaused. (Ephesians 1:3-5)
2. It is unreasonable. (Isaiah 55:8-9)
3. It is unending. (Jeremiah 31:3)
4. It is unlimited. (Psalm 139:7-12)
5. It is unchanging. (Malachi 3:6)
6. It is uncomplicated. (John 3:16)
7. It is unconditional. (I Corinthians 13:4-8)

• World's love: I love you ____; God's love: I love you _____.

D. God's love is _____. (v. 11b-21)

1. Toward His Son. (Matthew 3:17; 17:5; John 5:20)
2. Toward Israel. (Jeremiah 31:35-37; Isaiah 49:15-16)
3. Toward Christians. (Colossians 3:12; II Thess. 2:16)
4. Towards the world. (Luke 15:1-32)
5. Towards you. (Romans 8:31-39)
 - Nothing should cause us to doubt, be distant from or miss God's love.

II. God's love _____. (I Corinthians 13:1-13)

A. We must understand the _____ of Biblical love.

1. I must know what love is.
 - Love is not an emotion or a feeling.
 - Love is an action and a choice. (I John 3:18)
2. I must know why love is so important.

B. We must understand how to _____ Biblical love.
(John 13:34-35; I Corinthians 13:7-8; 14:1; II Corinthians 5:14-15; 8:7-8)

"Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind; and Love your neighbor as yourself." Luke 10:27

C. We must understand the _____ for Biblical love.

1. Love takes commitment.
 - If the grass looks greener somewhere else, water your own grass. Keep dating after you're married.
2. Love takes communication
3. Love takes collaboration
4. Love takes Christ power.

D. We must understand the _____ of Biblical love.

III. God's love _____.

"What shall we say, then? Shall we go on sinning so that grace may increase? By no means! We are those who have died to sin; how can we live in it any longer?" Romans 6:1-2

*"As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another."
John 13:34-35*

ACTION POINTS: 1.) Have you ever _____?

2.) Are you more in love with _____ He offers?

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I. God's love is no secret. (I John 4:7-21)

A. God's love is declared. (v. 7-8, 16; John 3:16)

1. God loves you. He always has, He always will.
2. God will never love you any more than He does right now and He will never love you any less.

B. God's love is demonstrated. (v. 9-10)

"But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us." Romans 5:8

C. God's love is described. (v. 11a)

1. It is uncaused. (Ephesians 1:3-5)
2. It is unreasonable. (Isaiah 55:8-9)
3. It is unending. (Jeremiah 31:3)
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6. It is uncomplicated. (John 3:16)
7. It is unconditional. (I Corinthians 13:4-8)

- World's love: I love you if; God's love: I love you period.

D. God's love is directed. (v. 11b-21)

1. Toward His Son. (Matthew 3:17; 17:5; John 5:20)
2. Toward Israel. (Jeremiah 31:35-37; Isaiah 49:15-16)
3. Toward Christians. (Colossians 3:12; II Thess. 2:16)
4. Towards the world. (Luke 15:1-32)
5. Towards you. (Romans 8:31-39)
 - Nothing should cause us to doubt, be distant from or miss God's love.

II. God's love changes everything. (I Corinthians 13:1-13)

A. We must understand the priority of Biblical love.

1. I must know what love is.
 - Love is not an emotion or a feeling.
 - Love is an action and a choice. (I John 3:18)
2. I must know why love is so important.

B. We must understand how to practice Biblical love.

(John 13:34-35; I Corinthians 13:7-8; 14:1; II Corinthians 5:14-15; 8:7-8)

"Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind; and Love your neighbor as yourself." Luke 10:27

C. We must understand the practical ingredients for Biblical love.

1. Love takes commitment.
 - If the grass looks greener somewhere else, water your own grass. Keep dating after you're married.
2. Love takes communication
3. Love takes collaboration
4. Love takes Christ power.

D. We must understand the permanence of Biblical love.

III. God's love is often misunderstood.

"What shall we say, then? Shall we go on sinning so that grace may increase? By no means! We are those who have died to sin; how can we live in it any longer?" Romans 6:1-2

"As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another." John 13:34-35

ACTION POINTS: 1.) Have you ever accepted Jesus' love?

2.) Are you more in love with Jesus or the stuff He offers?