



Table Group Weekly Experience

August 29, 2021

Mixer

On your favorites playlist, what is one group that you *never* press “skip”?

Neighborly - Daily Devotional

To get the Daily Devotionals delivered to you every morning, text ‘dailydevotional’ to 97000.

1. In Pastor Ken’s 8/23 entry, *Today Is A Gift*, he reminds us that we have a choice on Monday mornings - or any morning - to put on a new attitude. If you could write a response to those “Ugh! Monday Mornings!” memes on social media, which of the Bible verses in Ken’s devo would inspire your comment? Or a new meme?
2. In Pastor Harry’s 8/27 entry, *The Last Straw*, what let-downs in your life came to your mind? How do those circumstances shape you today, and are you happy with the results? Have you ever felt God has let you down? How does laying your disappointments and hurt at the foot of the cross show you the truth about the path to healing your relationships?

Sermon Notes

Study questions will resume with the Sunday, Sept 12 message and the start of a new Message Series! Here are some Inductive Bible Study tools from LOGOS.com to help you unpack Sunday’s message until then:

1. What impacted you most about Sunday’s message?

Read the Scripture(s) used in the message.

2. **Observation: What does the text say (who, what, when, where, how, why)?** Also note uses of words like: therefore, after, now, but, if/then, etc. Notice repeating words or themes, lists of words and their order and definitions, etc. Use multiple Bible versions and compare.
3. **Interpretation: What does the text mean?** Look for what the writer is trying to communicate: cultural/historical context; about the author, about the person/people, about God/Jesus/Holy

Spirit; what other Scripture that can interpret this text; what is the clearest meaning (being careful to not read into it what it doesn't say, or what you want it to say)?

4. Application: What does the text mean to me? *"We don't study the Bible just to gain knowledge. We study to gain knowledge so we know how to live our lives in light of what we've learned."* (LOGOS.com) Together with your answer to Question #1, what do you hear God saying to you about you, Him, priorities and decisions, relationships, faith, conflict, spiritual warfare, difficulties, setbacks, and hope? What one action step will you take with this new knowledge?

Go Deeper - with Goodbook

Dr. Mark Strauss & Pastor Ken Ingold

REMINDER: Goodbook is now on summer break and will relaunch in September!

Serve

- **There is always more room for smiling faces on Sunday mornings!** Ushers/Greeters, Coffee Team, Communion Team - contact Sal: sal@thechurchrb.org
- **You could become a memorable blessing in a child's or student's experience with Jesus!** Was there someone in your life who poured into you in your formative years? What did that mean to you, and to your faith journey? Our NextGen ministries invite you and what you uniquely bring to lead our students! Come chat with us!
CRB Kidz - contact Pastor Heidi, heidi@thechurchrb.org
Student Ministries - contact Director Cristina, cristina@thechurchrb.org

Pray

Pray for our world this week from Psalm 107:1-9.

From Timothy Keller's *The Songs of Jesus: A Year of Daily Devotionals* (pg 279), he says *"They had no city.... At one level this shows that cities can be good places for human thriving. At the deepest level it means we need Jesus - to heal our spiritual hunger, give rest for our spiritual exhaustion, and through his Body end our loneliness. So believers work to make our cities good places for everyone to live (Jeremiah 29:7) and also call all to become citizens of the heavenly city (Rev 21-22; Hebrews 12:22-24) through faith in God."*