

Sermon Notes

Up There Down Here | April 6 & 7, 2024

1. Jesus' core message is the announcement of _____. **Genesis 3:7-13**

2. The Good News: The Kingdom of God has _____.

Luke 8:1a | Luke 4:43 | Luke 9:1-2 | Acts 1:3b

3. Kingdoms are _____.

4. Kingdom of Earth: The conglomeration of _____.

Kingdom of God: The domain where everything is _____.

Romans 14:17

5. Repent is a _____. **Acts 2:38a**

6. Baptism is an outward expression of an _____.

Acts 2:41

Life Steps

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Monday

Genesis 1:14-19

Reflect: The long anticipated eclipse takes place today. What about the creation, as a whole, most amazes you? How does the beauty and precision of how the creation works reflect your understanding of God? Remember to wear the prescribed protective eye wear when viewing the eclipse.

Prayer: God, we marvel at the design of your creation. Use today's eclipse to show off your great works and draw the curious to know more about who you are.

Tuesday

Mark 1:14-15

Reflect: Before hearing the "Up There Down Here" message, how would you have described The Kingdom of God and the Good News of Jesus? What was your takeaway from the weekend message?

Prayer: God, use me today to deliver The Good News that you are with us and working for the good in our lives.

Wednesday

Matthew 6:9-10

Reflect: If kingdoms are systems of personal power, how is your kingdom currently clashing with the Kingdom of God? How is your kingdom currently aligning with the Kingdom of God? How would the lives of those around you be better if your entire kingdom was submitted to the Kingdom of God?

Prayer: God, may your will be done in and through me, today and every day.

Thursday

Romans 14:13-17

Reflect: If the kingdom of earth is the conglomeration of personal kingdoms, and the Kingdom of God is where everything is just the way God wants it to be, what do you see going on in the world that most breaks and touches your heart? Why? What does that mean for how you manage your personal kingdom?

Prayer: Spirit of the living God, melt me, mold me, use me.

Friday

Acts 1:1-3

Reflect: How did Jesus' pre- and post-resurrection life model the Kingdom of God had come to earth?

Does your life more model the kingdom of earth or the Kingdom of God? Explain and describe your next step in your walk with Jesus.

Prayer: God, make me aware of where and how my life does not align with your will.

Saturday

Acts 2:32-41

Reflect: What do you think Luke means when he says people were "cut to the heart"? How does the Good News of the Kingdom of God cut you to the heart? What does repentance mean to you? As you reflect upon the last week (moral inventory), what do you need to confess to God and then practice repentance?

Prayer: God, see if there is any offensive way within me. Forgive me. Heal me. Use me.

Sunday

I Peter 4:8-10

Reflect: As you prepare to worship today by participating in Serve Together Weekend, what do you sense God saying to you through this passage?

Prayer: God, thank you for my church family. Use us today to bring up there down here.