

January 11, 2017

DEFYING
GRAVITY

MESSAGE NOTES

Defying Gravity | Part 1

Someone came to Jesus with this question: "Teacher, what good deed must I do to have eternal life?" "Why ask me about what is good?" Jesus replied. "There is only One who is good. But to answer your question—if you want to receive eternal life, keep the commandments." "Which ones?" the man asked. And Jesus replied: "You must not murder. You must not commit adultery. You must not steal. You must not testify falsely. Honor your father and mother. Love your neighbor as yourself." "I've obeyed all these commandments," the young man replied. "What else must I do?"
Matthew 19:16-20 (NLT)

How do I defy the gravitational pull of "more?"

1. Reject the Kingdom of _____.

Jesus told him, "If you want to be perfect, go and sell all your possessions and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me." But when the young man heard this, he went away sad, for he had many possessions.
Matthew 19:21-22 (NLT)

2. Embrace the Kingdom of _____.

Then Jesus said to his disciples, "I tell you the truth, it is very hard for a rich person to enter the Kingdom of Heaven. I'll say it again—it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich person to enter the Kingdom of God!" The disciples were astounded. "Then who in the world can be saved?" they asked. Jesus looked at them intently and said, "Humanly speaking, it is impossible. But with God everything is possible."
Matthew 19:23-26 (NLT)

GRACE NEWS

If you want more information or to volunteer with any of these opportunities, please make a note on the Let's Connect card.

Please be praying for a Worship Leader, Children's Ministry Leader and our launch teams!

Financial Peace University – Tuesdays, 6:30-8:00pm, January 10th - March 7th In a local nine-week class, you'll learn Dave Ramsey's seven easy-to-follow Baby Steps to create a budget, get out of debt, and make a plan for your money!

January 15th at 9:41 and every Sunday thereafter – Be part of the launch team! Everyone welcome!

Grace in Action, January 20 – 22. During this weekend, you will experience and learn about how Grace Church builds healthy teams, establishes clear focus, develops fruitful strategies and structures and gets better at making disciples of Jesus. You will personally experience our recovery and compassion outreach ministries. Please plan to stay for the weekend.

Sprout Food Ministry Outreach and Community breakfast 2nd and 4th Thursdays of the month in the parking lot. Free breakfast 8:30-9:45 Sprout truck 10-12pm. Join us for breakfast, to volunteer and/or to pick up some supplemental food if you are in need.

LET'S CONNECT

PLEASE TEAR OUT AND DROP IN BASKETS AS YOU EXIT

Date: / /

Name: _____

Email: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Best way to contact you: _____

I WOULD LIKE INFORMATION ABOUT:

☐ I would like to meet with the pastor.

MY DECISION TODAY

- ☒ I said **YES** for the first time, and became a follower of Jesus.
 - ☒ I decided to **RENEW** my relationship with Jesus.
- We have resources to help you with your decision.*

HAVES

If you have any gifts, talents, professional skills, or life experiences that you are willing to use to help others or to help grow Grace Church, please list here:

NEEDS

If you are in need of prayer, a skilled professional, or simply someone to connect with who has been through a similar difficult life experience that you are currently facing, please describe need here:

*To confidentially discuss **haves** or **needs** with the pastor, please call 941.966.3306 for an appointment.*

SMART GIVING

go to: egracechurch.com/give

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text any amount to: 941.200.1515

An effective and time-saving way to give your tithes and offerings without carrying cash or writing checks.



1st Thursday in February, 6-8pm Monthly Gathering.

February 5th 9:41am – First Sunday preview service!

SCHEDULE

University of the Holy Spirit:
Bible Study, Saturdays 11am-12:30pm

Grace Kidz:
Saturdays, 11am-12:30pm

Acts 2:42 Weekly Gathering:
Wednesday Evenings 6-8pm

Wednesday Prayer:
12-1pm

Sprout Food Ministry:
2nd and 4th Thursday, 10-12 in the parking lot



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