COME HELL OR HIGH WATER



May 13, 2018

MESSAGE NOTES

Come Hell or High Water | Part 7

Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see. Hebrews 11:1 (NIV)

For we live by faith, not by sight. 2 Corinthians 5:7 (NIV)

God saved you by his grace when you believed. And you can't take credit for this; it is a gift from God. Salvation is not a reward for the good things we have done, so none of us can boast about it. For we are God's masterpiece. He has created us anew in Christ Jesus, so we can do the good things he planned for us long ago.

Ephesians 2:8-10 (NLT)

What good is it, dear brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but don't show it by your actions? Can that kind of faith save anyone? James 2:14 (NLT)

How does Jesus want me to express my faith?

1. Through good works that reflect His	5
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Suppose you see a brother or sister who has no food or clothing, and you say, "Good-bye and have a good day; stay warm and eat well"—but then you don't give that person any food or clothing. What good does that do? So you see, faith by itself isn't enough. Unless it produces good deeds, it is dead and useless.

James 2:15-17 (NLT)

Don't you remember that our ancestor Abraham was shown to be right with God by his actions when he offered his son Isaac on the altar? You see, his faith and his actions worked together. His actions made his faith complete. And so it happened just as the Scriptures say: "Abraham believed God, and God counted him as righteous because of his faith." He was even called the friend of God. So you see, we are shown to be right with God by what we do, not by faith alone.

James 2:21-24 (NLT)

2. Th	rough good works that reinforce His	5
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Just as the body is dead without breath, so also faith is dead without good works.

James 2:26 (NLT)

In the same way, let your good deeds shine out for all to see, so that everyone will praise your heavenly Father. Matthew 5:16 (NLT)

GRACE NEWS

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

Prayer Cards – are available on the altar railing. Please take one and pray for the 941 every day at 9:41 this week.

Carwash Fundraiser for Shoes of Hope – May 18th, 5:00-7:00 pm and May 19th, 11:00 am – 2:00pm. Church parking lot – donations.

VBS Volunteer Meeting – May 20th, 11:00 – 12:00 Can you volunteer to help with VBS? If you are available just one, evening all five evenings, there is an informational meeting after the service in the Gathering Place. Come find out more about it!

Nursing Home Outreach Ministry – May 27th after the service in the conference room there will be an informational meeting about this new ministry. Come find out more about taking church to local nursing homes.

Marriage Mindset Makeover – June 2nd, 8:00 – 9:00 am breakfast and check in; workshop 9:00 – noon. The "3-Hour Marriage Mindset Makeover" is Pastor Sal's new marriage seminar/workshop. It is a fast-paced, funny, sensible, and truthful look at how four simple changes in our thinking can make drastic changes in our marriages. \$60.00 per couple. Check out more at pastorsal.com Register at egracechurch. com/sarasota, call the office or indicate on your Let's connect card. Registration deadline is May 26th.

VBS – This year Vacation Bible School (VBS) will be July 23 – 27, 5:00pm – 8:00pm Dinner included! Please register your child(ren) by indicating on your connect card, call the office or online at egracechurch.com/events.

LET'S **CONNECT**

PLEASE TEAR OUT AND DROP IN BOXES AS YOU EXIT

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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.

PRAYER REQUESTS

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☐ Public Prayer List	☐ For Pasto	rs Only
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SMART GIVING

go to: egracechurch.com/give -OR-

text any amount + "Sarasota" to: 239.205.3123

(like this: 100 Sarasota)

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



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Introduction to the Bible – Thursdays, 5:30 – 8:00, Potluck from 5:30 – 6:00, teaching 6:00 – 8:00. This is a six week, colorful and exciting journey through the Old and New Testaments that promises to give insight that will help you navigate through the Bible. Come join us on this journey that will make the Bible come alive!

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Fishing Club – 2nd Tuesday of the month from 6:30 – 8:00pm in the Boat House - Learn from a speaker and 'hook-up' with fellow fisherman. Dinner available for \$5.00.

Step Up – AA meeting Wednesday mornings at 7:00 am in the Gathering Place Meeting room.

Prayer hour – Wednesdays, noon – 1 pm in the Worship Center. Come join us in praying for our church, our neighborhoods, the 941, & the nations. Come if you are in need of prayer.

Praise & Worship practice – Wednesdays, 6:00 – 8:30

Do you play an instrument or sing? Interested in behind the scene, lighting, sound, graphics? Come find out more about joining the Tech or Praise Team.
 Introduction to the Bible – Thursdays, 5:30 potluck, 6:00 – 8:00 discussion. All are welcome!
 Sprout - 2nd & 4th Thursday of the month - Community breakfast is served at 9:00am followed by food distribution by All Faiths Food Bank from 10:00

Community Clothing Connection - Open the 2nd & 4th Thursday of the month from 10:00 – 11:30 am. Most items are only \$1.00.

Faith & Fellowship bible study – 9:00 am, Saturdays At the Potter's Park Pavilion. Coffee and donuts served during a Bible study – Church Can Happen Anywhere!



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