



PEOPLE BEFORE THINGS, NEEDS BEFORE RIGHTS



TRUNK OR TREAT AT LAKELAND: After 2nd service **NEXT SUNDAY**, Oct. 29, come dressed in your Halloween costume (nothing scary please) or come ready to hand out treats/prizes to the young and not-so-young. If you cannot stay for the event, but would like to contribute, please consider making a donations of candy/prizes. Contact Micki Elton at mickie@lakelandcommunity.org for more info.

THE CLEARING PARENTS (GRADES 9-12) COMPASS DINNER: Sunday, Nov. 5, 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. Main course is provided, bring a side dish or dessert. Contact Twila Lahey at Twilal@lakelandcommunity.org or sign up in FORMS (Parent Compass Dinner) in Lakeland Connect.

TRAILHEAD RETREAT: Trailhead students (grades 5-8) will go on a retreat at Tall Oaks Retreat Center on Nov. 10-11. Cost is \$75 (plus one meal on the road) Contact Twilal@lakelandcommunity.org or register in FORMS (Trailhead Retreat) in Lakeland Connect.

HURRICANE HARVEY RELIEF TRIP: Nov. 5-11 join a team of Lakelanders going to Houston to help with the rebuilding phase of the hurricane recovery. For more info email Sue Hartzheim at shartzheim@gmail.com or visit the table in the lobby.





*Missing a handout or answers from the Knowing Jesus Through the Old Testament series?
Needing another booklet to keep copies in? Resources are available on the table in the back of
the sanctuary. Also check out the Podcast on Lakeland's website to hear past messages.*



UP-COMING MESSAGES: KNOWING JESUS THROUGH THE OLD TESTAMENT

THREE-PART SERIES: JESUS & THE OLD TESTAMENT PROPHETS

OCT. 29 — PART 1: Why is the Bible so exclusive when it comes to God? Why does it claim the image of God it contains is superior to the image of God put forward by every other world religion? We explore this sticky question together.

NOV. 5 — THE MUSICAL! We continue to explore this sticky question together using a huge dose of musical creativity.
(This message will NOT be available on Podcast — must see it live!)

NOV. 12 — INJUSTICE: What does the Bible really say about money and power? Does it have a conservative agenda? Does it have a liberal agenda? Does it have it's own agenda or no agenda at all?

NOV. 19—OLD TESTAMENT ISSUE #3: PREDICTIONS VS PROMISES: Have you ever noticed Old Testaments quotes in the New Testament that seem to be taken out of context? In this message we teach a powerful Bible Study tool that will bring great clarity as you see how Jesus' himself used the Old Testament in is own teaching.

FOUR-PART SERIES: WHO IS THIS MAN?

NOV. 26—THIS IS MY BELOVED SON: We begin the Christmas season at the baptism of Jesus where the voice of God declares "this is my beloved son." But did you know this is an Old Testament quotation that means so much more than the mere familial relationship between God and Jesus?!

DEC. 3 — I AM: In this message Jesus quotes the Old Testament and says, "Before Abraham was, I am." When we uncover the Old Testament meaning of that name, we gain an entirely new understanding of Jesus.

OLD TESTAMENT VALUES: PEOPLE BEFORE THINGS, NEEDS BEFORE RIGHTS

JESUS' VALUES

When money and property conflict with the life of people ... **people matter more than things.**

If we value people more than things, we are walking with God. And if we don't, we are far from God.

When the rights of one man conflict with the needs of another ... **needs matter more than rights.**

Jesus says these are the values of God.

OLD TESTAMENT VALUES EXHIBIT A: slavery

The word of God was chipping away at slavery centuries before Jesus.

It was the owners' right to beat and abuse their slaves. The word of God said if you injured them, they could go free.

Why did the Bible chip away at slavery and not abolish it?
Outlawing something doesn't fix it. The Bible chooses to limit it, to change our perception of it.

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Bible Reading Track:

Psalm 1, 8, 16, 27, 51, 63, 84, 139; 1 Kings 2-3, 6, 8-11

OLD TESTAMENT VALUES EXHIBIT B: debt protection

You cannot take away someone's living
because they owe you money.

Not only can you not take their livelihood you can't even take their
dignity during collection.

God runs the world this way because "You are only foreigners and
tenant farmers working for me." —Leviticus 25:23

Jesus is not overturning Old Testament values. He
is revealing the values and priorities of
God that have always been there.

Needs more than rights — people more than things ... this is the
kingdom of God.

Reflection

Where do you bump up against:

PEOPLE BEFORE THINGS?

NEEDS BEFORE RIGHTS?

