

Family Worship
Week of November 26, 2023

Instruction: Whatever time of day works best each day for you or your family, use the prompts below to spend a few minutes together in prayer and the Word. Open and close each session with a simple prayer. Use the questions for meditation or discussion.

Sermon Meditations: The Now and Not Yet

Monday

- Open in prayer
- Read: Genesis 23:1-20, Philippians 3:20
- Meditation: Pastor Nathan's first point was "Death is the beginning." Sarah has died in this passage and Abraham comes to mourn and bury her. What comfort does Abraham have in this life as he buries his wife? Why is death not the end of the story for believers? What does it mean to have resurrection faith?
- Close in prayer

Tuesday

- Open in prayer
- Read: Genesis 23:1-20, 2 Peter 3:11-13
- Meditation: Pastor Nathan's second point was "Now is the sojourning." Abraham tells the Hittites that he is a sojourner in the land. The land he is in is promised to him and his generations. Scripture tells us that we are sojourners in this world because it is not our home. How are we called to live in this life now? How does burial remind us of the promise that are coming? What comforts does God give us now experientially in this life as we wait for the new heavens and earth?
- Close in prayer

Wednesday

- Open in prayer
- Read: Genesis 23:1-20, Revelation 21:3-4
- Meditation: Pastor Nathan's third point was "Yet are the promises." After burying Sarah in his land that he has purchased he continues to sojourn. What are the promises that we are still waiting on as we live in this world? How does this instruct us to live now? Even though we mourn and weep now, why is still with hope?
- Close in prayer

Preparing Our Hearts to Receive the Word

Thursday

- Open in Prayer
- Read: Luke 1:46-55
- Meditation: What questions do you have about this text? Is there anything confusing or curious? Does anything stand out as important?
- Close in Prayer

Friday

- Open in Prayer
- Read: Luke 1:46-55
- Meditation: Westminster Shorter Catechism Question 4 asks, "What do the Scriptures principally teach?" Answer: "The Scriptures principally teach what man is to believe concerning God and what duty God requires of man." What does this passage teach us about God's character and work? What does it teach us about our own hearts and need for a Savior and how we ought to live in the world as followers of Christ?
- Close in Prayer