# FAITHFUL CHARACTER IN CRISIS R E L A T I O N S H I P S JAMES 4:1-12



### ORDER OF WORSHIP | Sunday, November 1, 2020

Listening devices are available for the hearing impaired. Please speak with a greeter or visit the sound booth upstairs for a listening device.

#### **SONG OF GATHERING & PREPARATION**

The people of God always sang as they ascended the hill in Jerusalem up to the temple to worship (see Psalms 120-134). We, as well, prepare our hearts, minds, and bodies for worship by singing about the God we serve.

Rest

### CALL TO WORSHIP | 2 Corinthians 3:4-6 (ESV)

We read God's Word, the Bible, together. It reveals to us who God is and what He expects of us.

Such is the confidence that we have through Christ toward God. Not that we are sufficient in ourselves to claim anything as coming from us, but our sufficiency is from God, who has made us sufficient ... not [by] the letter but of the Spirit ... who gives life.

### **PRAYER OF ADORATION & CONFESSION**

We pray together praising God for who He really is (Adoration) and admitting our inability to live up to what He expects of us (Confession).

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON | Colossians 1:13-14 & 21-22 (ESV)

We read God's Word together and are reminded that mercy and grace are freely given to all who have faith in Jesus Christ.

He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. ... And you, who once were alienated and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, he has now reconciled in his body of flesh by his death, in order to present you holy and blameless and above reproach before him.

#### WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

We respond to the good news of God's mercy and grace for us in Jesus by giving generously to the work of His church and the kingdom of God.

Once And For All

#### **PRAISE & CELEBRATION**

Our response to God's free grace is celebratory worship. We express our praise to God for who He is and what He has done for us.

It Is Done

Almighty God

### KIDS' WORSHIP DISMISSAL | 9a Service Only

Infants - Kindergarten are dismissed. Please see your child's check-in name tag for class assignment.

### **PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING & INTERCESSION**

We express in prayer our gratitude to God for what He has done and ask Him to continue to act for our good and the good of others in our community and world.

### PROCLAMATION OF GOD'S WORD | Tim Rice, Lead Pastor & Director of Church Planting

A small portion of God's Word is explained to us and applied to our lives and circumstances.

### **CONFESSION OF FAITH**

As an expression of our faith in Jesus Christ in solidarity with his people, we declare the substance of what we believe.

*The Apostles' Creed:* I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

### SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

The ritual meal of Communion is a sign and seal of the grace we have in Jesus. That is, it symbolizes the work Christ did for our salvation (sign) and communicates the grace and mercy we have been given (seal) as a result of His death and resurrection.

### **SONG OF RESPONSE**

We respond to the good news of God's mercy and grace by singing again of His goodness and greatness.

Graves Into Gardens

### BENEDICTION

Because the hand of God's wrath was raised against Jesus, we now receive the hand of God's blessing as we are sent out to live our lives to the glory of God.

May the LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD turn His face toward you and give you His peace, both now and forevermore. Amen.

## **SCRIPTURE PASSAGE & SERMON OUTLINE**

### **Proclamation of God's Word**

Text: James 4:1-12 (ESV) Title: Faithful Character In Crisis: Relationships Teacher: Tim Rice

<sup>1</sup> What causes quarrels and what causes fights among you? Is it not this, that your passions are at war within you? <sup>2</sup> You desire and do not have, so you murder. You covet and cannot obtain, so you fight and quarrel. You do not have, because you do not ask. <sup>3</sup> You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, to spend it on your passions. <sup>4</sup> You adulterous people! Do you not know that friendship with the world is enmity with God? Therefore whoever wishes to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God. <sup>5</sup> Or do you suppose it is to no purpose that the Scripture says, "He yearns jealously over the spirit that he has made to dwell in us"? <sup>6</sup> But he gives more grace. Therefore it says, "God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble." <sup>7</sup> Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. <sup>8</sup> Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded. <sup>9</sup> Be wretched and mourn and weep. Let your laughter be turned to mourning and your joy to gloom. <sup>10</sup> Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will exalt you. <sup>11</sup> Do not speak evil against one another, brothers. The one who speaks against a brother or judges his brother, speaks evil against the law and judges the law. But if you judge the law, you are not a doer of the law but a judge. <sup>12</sup> There is only one lawgiver and judge, he who is able to save and to destroy. But who are you to judge your neighbor?

Intro: How prevalent is strife? Just look around ...

### WHAT'S MISSING HERE?

How do we compare, criticize or complain (over what, whom)?

### JESUS IS ENOUGH

No matter your circumstances, why do we believe that Jesus is enough?

### **JOY, CONTENTMENT & LOVE**

A life of joyful contentment = gratitude, delight, and generosity.

### YOU CAN PRAY WITH US ...

- 1. Worship the LORD for His sufficiency and perfect goodness. Praise Him, Father, Son and Holy Spirit that He *is* enough, and that in Christ He has *done* enough to meet our every need.
- 2. How have you lived full of worldly desires, and as a result, full of strife in your relationships? Confess your distortions of reality to Jesus, asking Him to forgive you for loving things more than Him or other people.
- 3. Give thanks to Jesus for His work to atone for our sins and to fill our ultimate emptiness. Thank Him for being punished for our attempted theft of His glory, and for giving us His Spirit to satisfy our yearnings.
- 4. Who do you know that lives discontented and quarrelsome? Pray for them, asking the Lord to help them to uproot the idols that fuel their unhappiness and that they would trust Him, and live in His love instead.
- 5. Ask the Holy Spirit to bear in you His fruit of joy to delight in the LORD above all things. Humble yourself before Him and pray for His fullness that you would be joyful to share with others rather than coveting or fighting.

### WELCOME TO TRINITY!

We're so glad you are here. Please place completed tear-off in offering plate.

Name (Please Print)
Gender 

Spouse

Children (Include DOB for Children's Ministry)

Address

City/State
Country/Zip

Phone

E-mail Address

□ First-Time Visitor
□ Regular Attendee

□ Member
□ College Student

□ Update my contact information

### I would like to receive:

□ Worship Folder & Announcement Emails

### I would like information about:

- Children's Ministry
   Student Ministry
- □ College Ministry □ Volunteering
- Community Group
  - Women's Ministry
     Worship
- Men's Ministry

New Member Class

Prayer

How can our staff pray for you?

**Community Bible Reading** communitybiblereading.org

November 2 - 7, 2020

(3-year plan: read blue passages | 1-year plan: read all)

Monday	Hebrews 6 Proverbs 1	Judges 8 Jonah 1
Tuesday	Hebrews 7 Proverbs 2	Judges 9 Jonah 2
Wednesday	Hebrews 8 Proverbs 3	Judges 10 Jonah 3
Thursday	Hebrews 9 Proverbs 4	Judges 11 Jonah 4
Friday	Hebrews 10 Proverbs 5	Judges 12 Micah 1
Saturday	Psalm 97	Psalm 45 Psalm 143

### Scripture Memory for the Week: James 4:11-12 (ESV)

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### Communication

Register for events at trinitylakeland.org/events



Baby Shower for Molly Rice Bryant November 1, 2p - Registered at <u>babylist.com</u>. Contact <u>Denise Curls</u> for information.



AWC - 2020 Walk (Anywhere) for Life November 7 Contact Tammy Scruggs for information.

High School Hollywood Drive-In November 20, 4p Contact <u>Brown Peterson</u> for information.

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