

1 Thessalonians 1:1-3; 5:12-24

Grace and peace to you. We always thank God for all of you, mentioning you in our prayers.

We continually remember before our God and Father your work produced by faith, your labor prompted by love, and your endurance inspired by hope in our Lord Jesus Christ...

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Now we ask you, brothers and sisters, to respect those who work hard among you, who are over you in the Lord and who admonish you. Hold them in the highest regard in love because of their work. Live in peace with each other.

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And we urge you, brothers and sisters, warn those who are idle, encourage the timid, help the weak, be patient with everyone. Make sure that nobody pays back wrong for wrong, but always try to be kind to each other and to everyone else.

Be joyful always; pray continually; give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.

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Do not put out the Spirit's fire; do not treat prophecies with contempt. Test everything. Hold on to the good. Avoid every kind of evil.

May God himself, the God of peace, sanctify you through and through. May your whole spirit, soul, and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

1 Corinthians 13:1-13

If I speak in the tongues of men or of angels, but do not have love, I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal. If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have a faith that can move mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. If I give all I possess to the poor and give over my body to hardship that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing.

1 Corinthians 13:1-13

Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud.

It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth.

It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. Love never fails.

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But where there are prophecies, they will cease; where there are tongues, they will be stilled; where there is knowledge, it will pass away. For we know in part and we prophesy in part, but when completeness comes, what is in part disappears.

When I was a child, I talked like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I put the ways of childhood behind me.

1 Corinthians 13:1-13

For now we see only a reflection as in a mirror; then we shall see face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I am fully known.

And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.

A misty forest path with large trees and a glowing light source in the distance. The path is covered in fallen leaves and leads into a dense forest of tall, dark trees. The atmosphere is soft and ethereal, with a warm, golden light emanating from the background, creating a sense of mystery and tranquility. The text "A FAREWELL TO FRIENDS" is overlaid in the center of the image in a bold, white, sans-serif font.

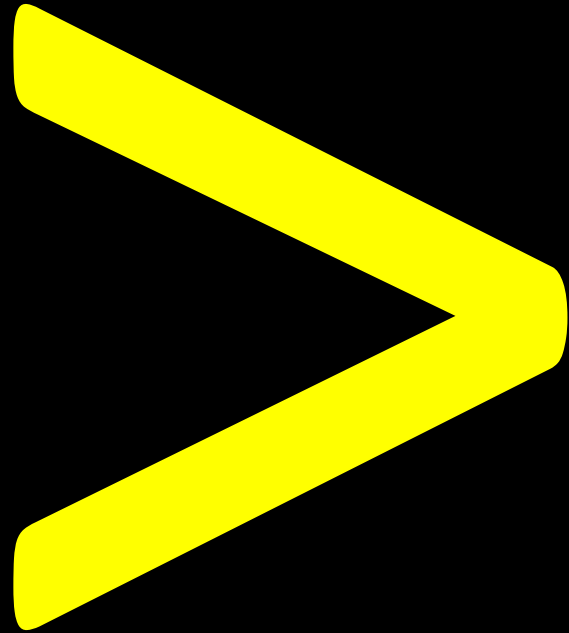
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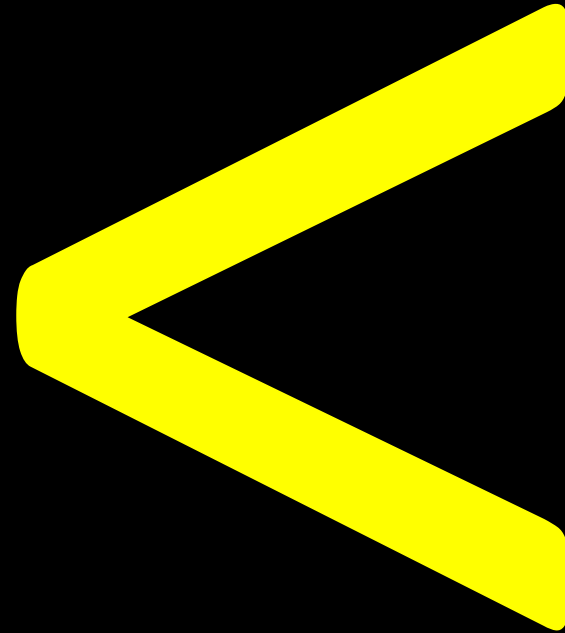
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It's about Jesus.

John 3:30



Jesus must
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I must
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1 Cor 11:1 – “Follow me as I follow Christ.”

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Peter Rollins – “Authentic faith is expressed, not in mere acceptance of a belief system, but in sacrificial, loving action.”

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Phil 4:9 – “Whatever you have learned or received or heard from me, or seen in me – *put it into practice.*”

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n ECESSARY CONVERSATIONS

October 02 - Domestic Violence

October 09 - Racism

October 16 - Mental Health


October 23 - Substance Abuse

October 30 - Pornography

SPEAK OF THE



DEVIL



THE
CHURCH
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Feb 21 - To The Compromising Church: Watch Out! (Rev 2:12-17)

Dear Church,

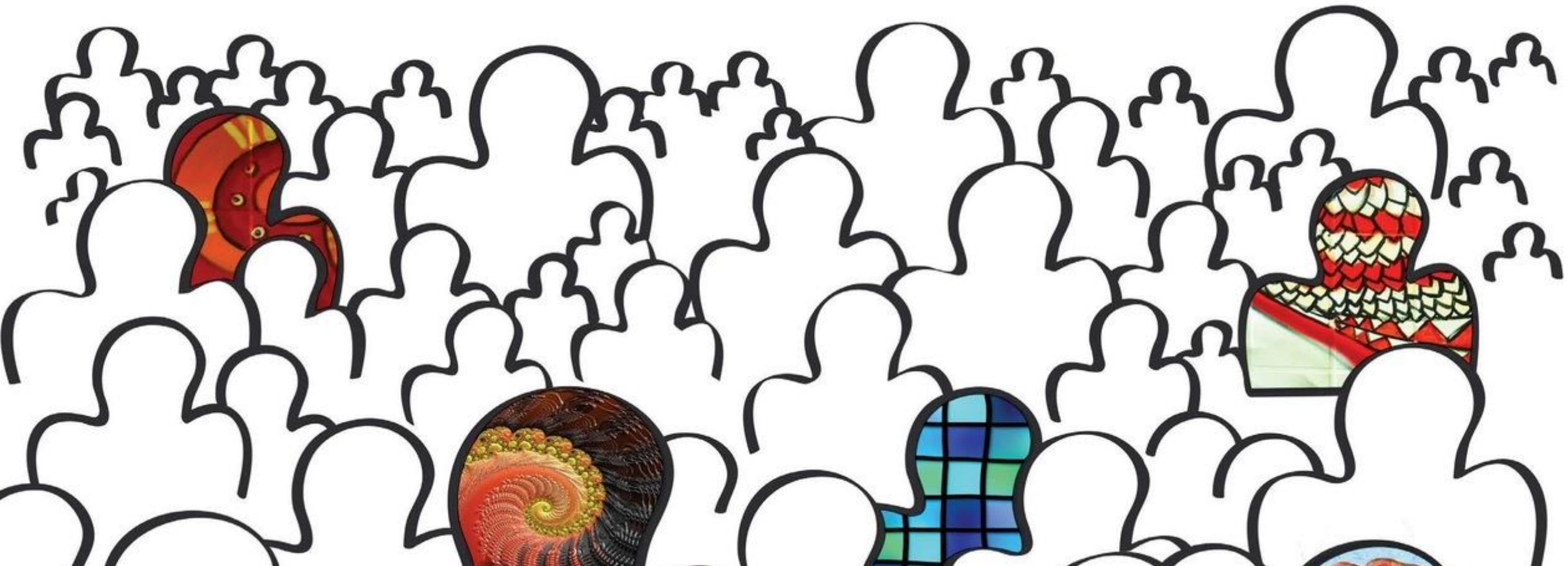
THE MESSAGE OF **REVELATION** FOR THE CHURCH **TODAY**

Feb 28 - To The Tolerant Church: Guard Truth! (Rev 2:18-29)

Mar 07 - To The Dead Church: Wake Up! (Rev 3:1-6)

GOD, SEX & CHURCH

A THEOLOGY OF HEALTHY SEXUALITY



THE GOSPEL STORY



CRASHY

PRAY FOR JANELL'S SURGERY!

MEET WAYNE AT STARBUCKS TUES. 7AM

GROWTH GROUP STARTS WED 7:00pm

CALL MOM TONIGHT

ORTHODONTIST FRIDAY 3PM CANCEL!

NIGHT

RENEW ANNUAL ZOO PASSES!

PADRES V GIAMS next Sunday, with Alvarez

STUDY PHYSIC'S QUIZ

Medication at Pharmacy

Growth Group

Haircut

Lamb's Player Theatre tickets

CAMP TRIP SAT & SUN

Call Dad today!

JULIE'S MUSIC

Prayer Meeting

Bible Study Thursday Read Philippians 2 & 3

Mow the lawn

STUDY FOR EXAM

CLASS REUNION This weekend

DINNER WITH RUIZ FAMILY

Father's Day at church

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PIANO LESSONS 6:30 PM

HOME DEPOT - plants & potting soil

DOCTOR Monday 10:30

Archive files

PICK UP PHOTO ENLARGEMENT AT COSTCO

GET APPLICATION COMPLETED & MAILED BEFORE 7/3

DENTIST Friday 9:00 AM

Pick up Dry Cleaning

PICK UP MILK

Call Emily & Uncle Rob

CAT FOOD AT PET CO

Buy more Sticky N

NEHEMIAH

LIVING WITH PURPOSE

WHAT
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1 Thessalonians 2:8 – “Because we loved you so much, we were delighted to share with you not only the Gospel of God but our lives as well.”

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Continue the *theological* conversations, constantly reminding each other that **it's always, ultimately, about Jesus.**

Continue the *practical* conversations, challenging and equipping each other to **live out our faith through love.**

And continue the *personal* conversations, recognizing that **the gift of spiritual community** is one of the ways God is bringing the Kingdom to earth as it is in heaven.