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"God's Gift of Experiences"
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SERMON OUTLINE



LOOK AT THE DISCUSSION
QUESTIONS FOR
APPLICATION AT YOUR HOME
FELLOWSHIP GROUP
MEETING THIS WEEK

Looking Ahead
12/16-Advent
12/23- Advent
12/30- 1 Samuel 11
1/6- 1 Corinthians 1

o December 16th 2012

Sermon notes

A WEEKLY RESOURCE FOR AIDING THE APPLICATION OF THIS SUNDAY'S SERMON AT REDEEMER TO YOUR LIFE.

APPLICATION QUESTIONS

1. How do you overcome the tendency to divide your life into "sacred" and "secular"?
2. How have you been prompted to praise God for a recent experience?
3. What area of experience (Sports, Arts, Literature, Food/Drink, Nature, Architecture, Technology, Etc.) is hard for you to see as a gift to praise God for?
4. How does "praise complete the enjoyment", as C.S. Lewis said?

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Selected Passages
Pastor Tony Felich

John 10:10 The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly.

Psalm 23:5-6 [5] You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. [6] Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

Ecclesiastes 2:24-26 [24] There is nothing better for a person than that he should eat and drink and find enjoyment in his toil. This also, I saw, is from the hand of God, [25] for apart from him who can eat or who can have enjoyment?

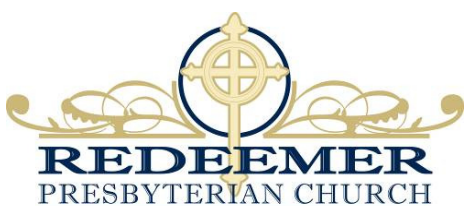
Ecclesiastes 3:1-8 [1] For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven: [2] a time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up what is planted; [3] a time to kill, and a time to heal; a time to break down, and a time to build up; [4] a time to weep, and a time to laugh; a time to mourn, and a time to dance...

Ecclesiastes 3:12-13 [12] I perceived that there is nothing better for them than to be joyful and to do good as long as they live; [13] also that everyone should eat and drink and take pleasure in all his toil—this is God's gift to man.

Ecclesiastes 5:18-20 [18] Behold, what I have seen to be good and fitting is to eat and drink and find enjoyment in all the toil with which one toils under the sun the few days of his life that God has given him, for this is his lot. [19] Everyone also to whom God has given wealth and possessions and power to enjoy them, and to accept his lot and rejoice in his toil—this is the gift of God. [20] For he will not much remember the days of his life because God keeps him occupied with joy in his heart.

1 Corinthians 10:31 So, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God.

"I think we delight to praise what we enjoy because **the praise not merely expresses but completes the enjoyment; it is its appointed consummation.** It is not out of compliment that lovers keep on telling one another how beautiful they are; the delight is incomplete till it is expressed. It is frustrating to have discovered a new author and not to be able to tell anyone how good he is; to come suddenly, at the turn of the road, upon some mountain valley of unexpected grandeur and then to have to keep silent because the people with you care for it no more than for a tin can in the ditch; to hear a good joke and find no one to share it with. . . ." - C.S. Lewis



Redeemer Happenings

» Christmas Eve Service, 12/24- 7pm

» **The New Hope Food Pantry** – Is in need of boxed Macaroni and Cheese at this time. We will be collecting through the end of the month. Please place donations in the collection bin in the coat room. Cash donations are always appreciated. Please call Steve Baker with any questions.