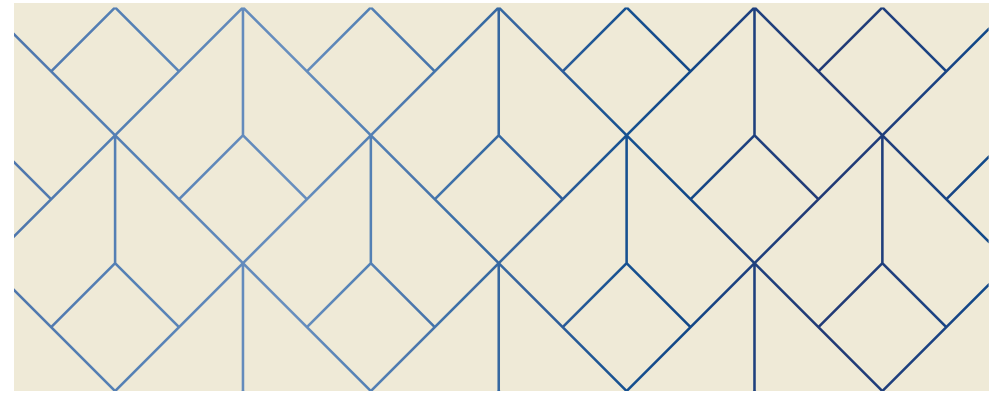


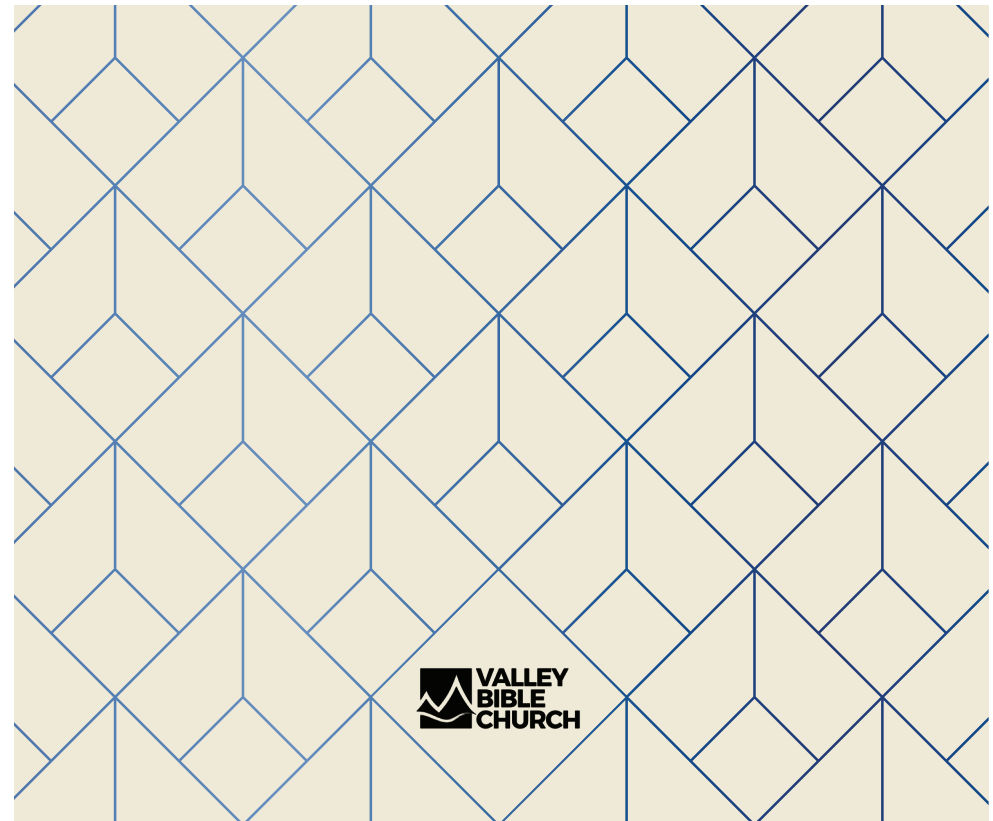
THE GOSPEL OF JOHN: John 4:27, 31-38

1. Thinking back on this week's sermon, was there anything you heard for the first time or that caught your attention, challenged, or confused you?
2. Why were the disciples amazed that Jesus had been speaking with a woman in verse 27? Are those reasons applicable for us today?
3. What practical applications can we draw from the disciples urging Jesus to eat in verse 31?
4. In this passage, Jesus uses His lack of food to teach a spiritual message. In what way do you think asceticism (the denial of physical pleasure in pursuit of spiritual good) is consistent, or inconsistent, with the teachings of Scripture?
5. Has God historically used you as a seed planter or harvester of His truth? Consider sharing an encouraging personal story of God's evangelistic work through you.
6. How is the rapid sewing and reaping described by Jesus in this passage similar or different than the way God's truth had operated thus far in creation?
7. Why might God choose to allow us to participate in His harvest, rather than simply creating ripe fruit?

Take some extra time this week to pray for the evangelism happening personally, locally, and across the world.



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A FIELD GUIDE TO CHRISTIAN WORK

John 4:27, 31-38 / Chris Martin / May 3, 2020

The _____ of _____ (27, 31-34)

The _____ of _____ (35-38)

OUR MISSION

As we proclaim biblical truth, we cultivate relationships that are intimate with Christ, active in the Church, & loving the community.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LIFE GROUPS

Even though we are separated by physical distance, Life Groups are encouraged to use phone calls, texts, and video conferencing to discuss and engage with the questions as a way to maintain fellowship and continue to grow together in Christ despite the current circumstances. As we all know, life is still happening -- physical distance or not. Stay in contact, pray, identify and meet needs, and be there for one another. Now is when we need it most!

If you are not in a Life Group, please contact Caleb Klontz (caleb@spokanevbc.org) to get you plugged in.

JOIN OUR WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Join our weekly e-newsletter! Each week, Afterthoughts features thoughts from the pastors, up-to-date information on events & announcements and life group questions. Visit our home page at spokanevbc.org and scroll down to subscribe.

PRAYER

Send us your Praise & Prayer requests online at spokanevbc.org/prayer.

THOSE IN NEED

Please communicate with us if you have financial needs or know of someone who does. Because of your generosity and faithfulness in giving, we have enough financial reserves to pay our staff, pay the bills, and help those who are in need. Many have given specifically to assist anyone in financial distress. We are thankful for all those who continue to give at this time and stand ready to help those who cannot.

Also, we have a list of volunteers that can shop, deliver, or who have purchased extra food/ supplies. Contact Stephani Wood (stephani@spokanevbc.org) and she will help coordinate with you.



BRIDGE MINISTRY

Bridge Ministries provides pastoral, biblically based counseling free of charge to our church and the community. It is the guided process of applying biblical wisdom to the hurt in our lives, aimed at bridging the gap between you and your joy. Visit spokanevbc.org/bridge-ministries, or contact Pastor Chad Ingalls, our full-time Pastor of Counseling, at bridgeministries@spokanevbc.org for more information.

TECHNOLOGY TEAM

We have all learned to depend more and more on technology to keep in touch during the stay-at-home order. We are learning lots and getting better and better at it. Going forward we will utilize technology in new ways, and so could use your help. If you have technology skills in audio, video, lighting, etc., we'd like you to join the team. Please contact Natalie Carroll (601-573-4858, or natalie@spokanevbc.org).

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GIVING REPORT

General: April \$90,445 / YTD \$299,029
Building Fund: Given \$1,080,238 / Loan Remaining Balance \$668,781