



PRAYER CHALLENGE
FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 11

Praying for our **ENEMIES**

One of the most difficult aspects of a healthy prayer life is praying for those who have hurt us. Yet in Matthew 5:44 Jesus says, "I say to you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you."

Who are these enemies and persecutors? It includes those who have sought us out to do us harm. It might be a cruel boss, a vindictive teacher, or an embittered family member. It also includes those who have caused lesser slights – which are sometimes even harder to pray for. A spouse who has made the same mistake for the hundredth time, a rebellious child who pushes just the right buttons, or a friend who says something careless or out of line.

How can we pray for these people? The most powerful prayers are sometimes the simplest. Try starting by genuinely praying, "God, please bless _____."

Then try, "God, please bless _____, and use me to do it."

Then watch the power of God at work in both your lives!

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HE IS LORD

John 8:48-59 / Chris Martin / October 11, 2020

_____ the Lord of _____ (48-51)

_____ the Lord of _____ (52-56)

_____ the Lord Our _____ (57-59)

OUR MISSION

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL - STARTS TODAY!

Children's Sunday School starts today! Kids will be dismissed. If you haven't done mobile check-in, please see the check-in attendant. Parents should keep their phones on them (on silent) during worship in case they are needed.

CHILDREN'S CHECK-IN VOLUNTEERS

We are in need of some check-in volunteers! If you are interested in serving in Children's check-in, contact Jennifer Dokken (jennifer@spokanevbc.org).

REMEMBER TO VOTE

It is our privilege and duty as Christians to vote in the coming election by November 3. While not endorsing any candidate, WeBelieveWeVote.com is recommended as a website with a number of non-partisan resources available for your review.

NICS: CONTEMPORARY WORLDVIEWS

Registration is now open for the next NICS class, "Contemporary Worldviews." The class dates are **October 29-31**. Books are available for purchase at the Information Counter. *Finding Truth, 5 Principles for Unmasking Atheism, Secularism and Other God Substitutes* by Nancy Pearcey (\$17), *Christian Worldview: A Students Guide* by Philip Ryken (\$12), *A Brief History of Thought* by Luc Ferry (\$12). For more information, and to register, go to spokanevbc.org/events, or NICS.institute.

LIFE GROUPS

Life Groups sign-ups continue today through October 18 in the portico. The Fall session starts on October 18. Life Groups are gatherings of 8-12 adults who meet weekly to grow together as a family by studying God's Word, investing in relationships, supporting one another, and seeking opportunities to reach out to those around them with the Gospel. Our desire is that each group would live life together and, as they do, see the Gospel brought to bear in the real stuff of everyday life! Each group is led by a trained leader and includes a time of fellowship and light refreshments. To sign up, visit the Life Group table in the portico today or email Nancy Hodge (lifegroups@spokanevbc.org).

CHURCH CUSTODIAL REQUEST

The church is in need of more disinfectant spray and wipes for routine cleanings between services and throughout the week. If you are out shopping and are able to buy a few extra bottles for us, please bring them by the church office and we will happily reimburse you. Thank you!

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GIVING REPORT

General: October \$23,869 / YTD \$706,408
Building Fund: Given \$1,098,288 / Loan Remaining Balance \$634,882