

Week of January 31, 2021

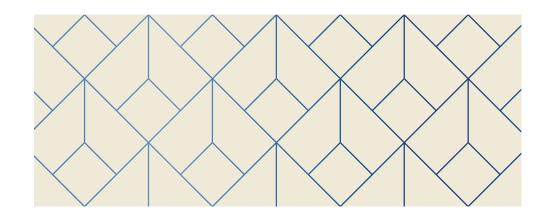
- 1. Thinking back on this week's sermon, was there anything you heard for the first time or that caught your attention, challenged, or confused you?
- 2. What has recently troubled your soul? Does this passage give you any comfort or direction?
- 3. The other two recorded places that God speaks audibly in the life of Jesus is during His baptism (Mark 1:9-11) and during the transfiguration (Matthew 17:1-8). Why might God have chosen these three times and messages?
- 4. How much power or influence does the "ruler of this world" (vs 31) have today?
- 5. In verse 32 Jesus says, "And I, if I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all men to myself." We know that Jesus was lifted up, but not all men seem to be drawn to Him. Does that make the statement of Jesus untrue? How or why?
- 6. Why might the crowd have been familiar with scriptures referencing the Christ being with them forever (vs 34), but be seemingly unfamiliar with passages which speak to His suffering (i.e. Isaiah 53)?
- 7. Where do you see the Church today similarly neglecting difficult or unpopular teachings in favor of those that are more palatable or attractive?
- 8. Give a few practical examples of the way that walking in the Light keeps the darkness from overtaking us today.
- 9. In verse 36 Jesus says that those who believe in Him (the Light) will become sons of Light. What should we expect to be different about someone before and after they become a "son of Light"?





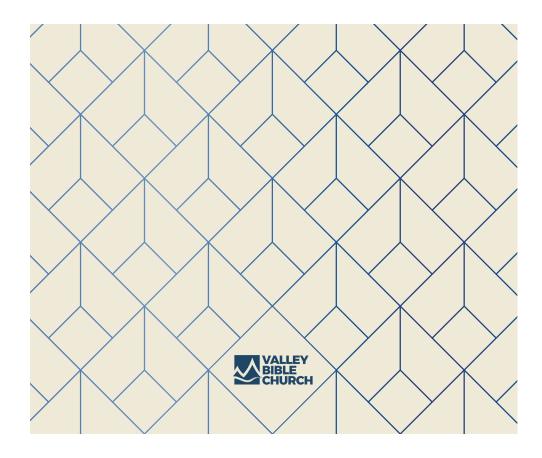






THE GOSPEL OF

JOHN



THE POWER OF GOSPEL TRUTH John 12:27-36 / Chris Martin / January 31, 2021 Truth to _____ (27-28) Truth to _____ (29-33)

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OUR MISSION

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BABY DEDICATIONS

We are having a Parent/Baby Dedication on Sunday, February 28th. Please let us know if you would like to participate by writing a note on the Connection Card or by calling the Church office (509-928-5161).

WEEKLY PRAYER MEETING

Join us for a one-hour weekly prayer meeting starting at 6:30 pm on Sundays here at VBC.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are looking for some help in our Children's Ministry. Immediate needs are for substitute teachers and assistants. We would also like to start recruiting for this summer in our Sunday School, nursery, and VBS in various positions. Please email Jennifer Dokken at <code>jennifer@spokanevbc.org</code> if you are interested in helping out or would like to find out more information.

TRANSFORM CONFERENCE 2021

We live in a world of increasing confusion over matters of gender and sexuality. No one in the church is untouched by this confusion, where lines between what is masculine or feminine have been grossly blurred, if not altogether denied and decried. How should we understand these matters from a biblical perspective? Dr. Owen Strachan will help us understand these matters biblically and equip God's people to interact with our ever-changing culture and the people we know and love who have been captured by this cultural confusion. We are hosting a live stream of the Transform Conference here at VBC on February 12-13. The conference is free but please register on our website at *spokanevbc.org/events* so we know how many are coming.

GIVING REPORT

General: January \$99,056 / YTD \$99,056 Building Fund: Given \$1,123,193 / Loan Remaining Balance \$354,836