

Week of October 31, 2021

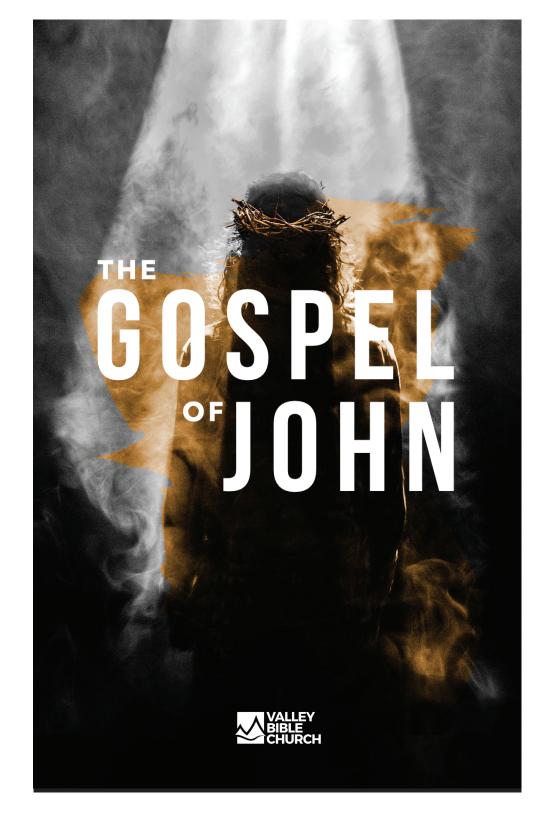
- 1. Thinking back on this week's sermon, was there anything you heard for the first time or that caught your attention, challenged, or confused you?
- 2. Read the other Gospel accounts of the resurrection, found in Matthew 28:1-15, Mark 16:1-12, and Luke 24:1-27, along with our passage. Write down at least one new lesson and at least one question from these readings.
- 3. Mary sees and speaks with two angels (vs 12-13). What scriptural principles could you use if someone came to you for advice, saying that they had an angelic encounter? See verses like Hebrews 13:2, Galatians 1:8, Colossians 2:18, and 2 Corinthians 11:14-15 for a head start.
- 4. Mary weeps with grief throughout this passage. As we experience our own grief in life, what are helpful and appropriate means of working through that grief? What might be unhelpful or inappropriate ways of grieving?
- 5. Given what we know of Mary Magdalene's story (Mark 16:9), how might her previous experiences have shaped what happened in this passage?
- 6. How has God's grace in your own life shaped your relationship to Jesus, broadly and/or specifically?
- 7. Is it possible to do anything that would break or make impossible a relationship with Jesus? Why or why not?
- 8. In verse 17 Jesus describes the disciples as "brethren" and describes God as "My Father and your Father." What has changed about the relationship between Christ and His followers? How was that change accomplished?











THE FINAL ANSWER

John 20:10-18 / Ben Orchard / October 31, 2021

The	of Despair (11-13)
The	of Providence (14-15)
The	of Resurrection (16-18

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

FALL FLAIR

Fall Flair is our Reformation Celebration. Join us for indoor fun tonight from 5:30-8:30. Free for the whole family! Carnival games, bouncy castles, food, games, costumes & more!

CULTIVATING HEALTHY MINDS IN A WORLD OF DIGITAL DANGERS

If you are a parent, grandparent, guardian, or mentor to any teen, then this seminar is for you. On November 6th, from 8:30am-12:00pm, the Youth Ministry will be presenting some encouragement and resources to help equip parents and other disciplers of teens as they face the challenges of depression, anxiety, and the always-connected digital world of modern technology. The seminar is free, but please RSVP at *valleybible.churchcenter.com* and clicking "Events."

DON'T FORGET TO VOTE!

It is our privilege and duty as Christians to vote in the coming election by November 2. *WeBelieveWeVote.com* is recommended as a website with a number of non-partisan resources available for your review.

OUR MISSION

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



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VBC Men's Ministries seeks to build up men in the Word and in their lives so that they come to represent Christ well in all things. We sharpen one another as we make application of God's Word in our daily lives. They oversee the Men's Breakfast and the Men's Theology Class and they sponsor special events throughout the year. If you'd like to get involved, learn more at *spokanevbc.org/men*.

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THE LORD OUR GOD

The Northwest Institute of Christian Studies is pleased to invite you to a free conference, November 11-13, focusing on a deeper understanding of the God we worship. Join us for this weekend of sound teaching as we welcome back Dr. E.D. Burns. For Registration and class time info, go to *valleybible.churchcenter.com/registrations*.

WEEKEND TO REMEMBER BY FAMILY LIFE MINISTRY

The Weekend to Remember conference is November 19-21. It is an opportunity to invest in your marriage, no matter how firm or fragile, and to intentionally cultivate the oneness God designed for its covenant. Topics include things like communication, intimacy, forgiveness, and commitment. Go to familylife.com/weekend-to-remember/weekend-overview/ for more info, and to register. Scholarships are available.

THANKSGIVING FOOD BASKETS

Our 3rd-5th graders are collecting food for their annual Thanksgiving Food Baskets service project. The baskets will benefit University Elementary School, Life Services of Spokane, and families in need. Food donations will be collected in the Foyer starting next week (November 7 - 17). Contact Jennifer Dokken, jennifer@spokanevbc.org if you or someone you know would like a basket.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Thank you to all who filled the 377 OCC shoeboxes! Plastic shoeboxes will be available for you to pick up starting at Fall Flair. If you would rather help with the shipping for the 377 already packed, you may write a check to Valley Bible with a note that it's for OCC shoeboxes. The church will forward the money on collectively.

GIVING REPORT

General: October \$81,483 / YTD \$856,261 Building Fund: Given \$1,177,327 / Loan Remaining Balance \$252,629