



# WORDS TO LIVE BY

THE SERMON ON THE MOUNT

TO KNOW CHRIST  
AND TO  
MAKE CHRIST KNOWN



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# WELCOME TO GRACE CHURCH!

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## VISITING GRACE?

It's great to have you here today, and we'd love to connect with you! Visit [graceinracine.com](http://graceinracine.com) or scan the QR code on the next page to let us know you visited, ask questions, submit prayer requests, or indicate an area of Grace Church that is of interest to you.

Need a Bible? Stop by the Welcome Table outside the sanctuary, we'd love to get one to you and also meet you!

If you have something that is weighing you down today, please come down front after service and we will pray with you. You can also share your request on the connection card and our prayer team will lift your need up to the Lord.

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## TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE

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### PRE-SERVICE

["God So Loved"](#)

Welcome

Pastor Chris Amundson

### PRAISE

Call To Worship

[Psalm 106:1-5](#)

["O, For A Thousand Tongues To Sing"](#)

### RENEWAL

Guatemala Team Commissioning

Dave Kehrl & Joe Kobriger

["He Will Hold Me Fast"](#)

Installing Isaac

Pastor Mike Matheson

### PROCLAMATION

Reading of the Word

[Matthew 5:3-10](#)

Prayer of Illumination

Preaching of the Word

Pastor Mike Matheson

### RESPONSE

Communion

["Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me"](#)

Benediction

*The sanctuary will continue to be used for prayer and reflection following the service. We invite you to come down front if you have a prayer need.  
Head to the Commons for fellowship after service.*

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# CARE MINISTRY

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## PRAYER FOR HEALING & RECOVERY

Please pray for healing and recovery for those hospitalized or recently discharged: Barb Toeppe, Kim Boscha

*Congratulations to Nef and Alyssa Rubio on the birth of their daughter, Eve Eleni.*

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## PRAYER REQUESTS

We want to uphold you in prayer during times of need:

- Fill out a connect card online or from the seatback in front of you.
- Come down front after service Sunday morning and we will pray with you.
- Email [prayer@graceinracine.com](mailto:prayer@graceinracine.com).

**CELEBRATE RECOVERY (CR)** Meets Tuesdays at 6:30pm in the Loft.

CR is a safe place to find support if you are struggling with a difficult season of life. CR is not just for addicts; it is for all of us who need to go deeper in Christ when life gets hard. Don't struggle alone - please join us for hope and encouragement every Tuesday evening.

Contact Gabe Stalker at [celebraterecovery@graceinracine.com](mailto:celebraterecovery@graceinracine.com)

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# FAMILY MINISTRY

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Children are welcome in our worship service and we highly encourage their participation throughout the entire service. However, we do offer the following for kids birth - 4th grade:

### NURSERY & PRESCHOOL

Sunday school is available during the entirety of the worship service for children aged birth – Kindergarten. Children ages 2 - Kindergarten will also have an age-appropriate Bible lesson each week.

### WORSHIPERS IN TRAINING (WIT)

Children in 1st-4th grades are welcome to participate in "Worshippers in Training" which meets during the second half of our worship service (children are dismissed before the teaching portion of worship).

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## ATTENDANCE & GIVING

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### LAST WEEK

Attendance: 744

Giving: \$24,533

### 2024 GIVING

Year to Date: \$158,445

+/- Budget: \$35,273

## SERMON REVIEW DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

These questions are for *after* the sermon and can be used for Life Group discussion, one-to-one discipleship, or personal reflection and application.

In this third beatitude, Jesus tells us that the blessed ones are people who are meek. It is a word that we sometimes use, but rarely think about what it means and what it actually looks like in day to day life. But it is a quality that our Lord holds at a high value and is connected to our inheritance as his people.

### Discussion Questions

1. From the first two beatitudes that Jesus teaches, he says “blessed are the poor in spirit, blessed are those who mourn”. What picture is starting to form about the people who populate his kingdom? How have you been encouraged/challenged over the last two weeks?
2. How is meekness properly defined? How is it different from weakness?
3. Back in Numbers 12, Moses is described as meek. Read Numbers 12 together and talk about what makes his interaction with Aaron and Miriam properly meek. In the life and ministry of Jesus, how does he demonstrate true meekness?
4. Jesus connects meekness with inheriting the earth. Why? What do the two have to do with one another?
5. In what areas of your life do you struggle with meekness? In what kind of situations do you trend toward defensiveness with others? What insecurities do you hold that resting in God’s promises ought to put to death?
6. In what way does the outside world need to hear this as well? How does this teaching factor into the way we share the gospel with non-believers?

## SERMON NOTES

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4

[Matthew 5:5](#)

Pastor Mike Matheson

KEEP CALM AND  
CARRY ON

*Memorize the Beatitudes together.*

*This week: Matthew 5:5*

*"Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth."*

Next Week: [Matthew 5:6](#)

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## CLASSES

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We are excited to offer classes that will help you to grow in your pursuit to know Christ in an ever-growing, ever-increasing way. These classes are aimed to help you grow regardless of where you are in your walk with Christ. Below are the descriptions of the classes we're offering.

**Classes begin today and meet after service.**

**Didn't register? Come anyway!**

### **Family Discipleship: What is the Church?**

**Teachers: Chris Amundson and Rachel Menke**

**Room: B-60**

The class is designed for families to attend together and not only learn about God's design for what the church is, but to also get some guided practical experience in walking through these things together as a household.

### **Seeing Jesus in All the Scriptures // Teacher: Ryan Boyer**

**Room: A36**

In this six week class, you will be equipped to see Christ in both the Old and New Testaments, exploring the different types of literature found in each.

### **We Behold His Glory: Science and Faith // Teacher: Dave Jansson**

**Room: B74**

We will look at science and faith in a way that everyone can understand, and marvel at the ways in which the Living God is revealing more of Himself to mankind — those He has made in His own image.

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## GUATEMALA

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### **Guatemala Healthcare Team Prayer Requests**

- Safe travels through airports and customs.
- Safety and good health for the team while in Guatemala.
- Prepare the hearts of the team to share the Gospel with humility, love and kindness.
- For divine appointments and hearts prepared to receive the Good News
- Preparations of the Word of Life missionaries to receive the team.
- WOL missionaries to be encouraged by the team.
- God uses the gifts of the team to give physical healing to many Guatemalans.
- For God to be glorified by many coming to know Jesus as their savior and make decisions to follow Christ into eternity.

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## GRACE HAPPENINGS

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### **MISSIONS PRAYER HOUR**

**February 5 // 7pm // Room A29**

All are welcome to join us at an open prayer gathering to pray for our global field workers and the nations where they serve.

### **PARENTING WORKSHOP**

**Topic: Talking With Your Kids About Sex**

**Sat., February 10 // 9am - 11am**

The aim of this seminar is to help you think about these conversations and how you can have them in a way that demonstrates grace and hope with your kids and points them to our compassionate Savior. This workshop is for parents of young children, elementary kids, teens, and college students.

*Childcare is available at a limited capacity and will be available on a first registered basis.*

Scan the QR learn more and register.

### **NEWCOMER GATHERING**

**Sunday, February 11 // 11am**

If you are new to Grace Church and would like to know a little bit more about us, we would like to invite you to our Newcomer Gathering. This will be a time for you and your family to grab a bite to eat, meet a few of the staff, and hear a little about the vision of Grace Church. Let us know you'll be joining us by stopping by the Welcome Table or scanning the QR code to RSVP.

### **MEMBERSHIP CLASS**

**Saturday, February 17 // 9 - Noon**

If you are interested in becoming a member, this is the first step in the process. At Grace Church, membership is the way we root ourselves in the local body of Christ, like becoming part of a family. Join us for this three hour class to learn about the beliefs, vision, and organization of the church. Register in Church Center or by scanning the QR code.

### **2024 MEN'S RETREAT**

**Save the Date!**

**April 19–20, 2024**

**Grand Geneva Resort & Spa**

We are inviting men of all ages to come together on the third weekend of April to gather in Lake Geneva and discuss what it looks like to depend on the Lord and walk confidently in our God given mission as his sons.

Registration opens February 4th.

### **ALLIANCE FAMILY SERVICES**

**Save the Date!**

**March 1// 5pm // Grace Church**

Please join us for a delightful evening highlighting the work of Alliance Family Services. Stop by the Info Center or visit [alliancefamilyservices.org](http://alliancefamilyservices.org) for more information!



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