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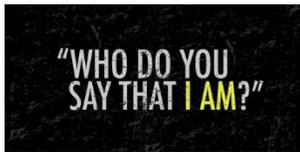
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Dear Saints,

In Matthew’s gospel (16:13), Jesus asked His disciples, “Who do you say that I am?” They were at a place called Caesarea Philippi – a place with numerous temples for the worship of many different gods. I visited there on my first trip to Israel and we were taken to a

place that was known to be a site for pagan sacrifices.



It was in this setting, surrounded by many different expressions of worship, that Jesus asked this important question.

It’s a question that each of us must answer for ourselves – but not too quickly. We might know the “right answer” based on what we’ve learned from church and from the Bible. But is that who Jesus truly is in your life?

I want to share a piece I found, taken from a blog post in 2009. The author is Kevin DeYoung. I hope it speaks to you as powerfully as it has spoken to me.

The Real Jesus Christ

The greatness of God is most clearly displayed in his Son. And the glory of the gospel is only made evident in his Son. That's why Jesus' question to his disciples [in Matthew 16] is so important: "Who do you say that I am?"

The question is doubly crucial in our day, because [no one is as popular in the U.S. as Jesus]—and not every Jesus is the real Jesus.

There's the Republican Jesus—who is against tax increases and activist judges, for family values and owning firearms.

There's Democrat Jesus—who is against Wall Street and Wal-Mart, for reducing our carbon footprint and printing money.

There's Therapist Jesus—who helps us cope with life's problems, heals our past, tells us how valuable we are and not to be so hard on ourselves.

There's Starbucks Jesus—who drinks fair trade coffee, loves spiritual conversations, drives a hybrid, and goes to film festivals.

There's Open-minded Jesus—who loves everyone all the time no matter what (except for people who are not as open-minded as you).

There's Touchdown Jesus—who helps athletes run faster and jump higher than non-Christians and determines the outcomes of Super Bowls.

There's Martyr Jesus—a good man who died a cruel death so we can feel sorry for him.

There's Gentle Jesus—who was meek and mild, with high cheek bones, flowing hair, and walks around barefoot, wearing (Ccpnt on page 2...)

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a sash (while looking very German).

There's Hippie Jesus—who teaches everyone to give peace a chance, imagines a world without religion, and helps us remember that "all you need is love."

There's Yuppie Jesus—who encourages us to reach our full potential, reach for the stars, and buy a boat.

There's Spirituality Jesus—who hates religion, churches, pastors, priests, and doctrine, and would rather have people out in nature, finding "the god within" while listening to ambiguously spiritual music.

There's Platitude Jesus—good for Christmas specials, greeting cards, and bad sermons, inspiring people to believe in themselves.

There's Revolutionary Jesus—who teaches us to rebel against the status quo, stick it to the man, and blame things on "the system."

There's Guru Jesus—a wise, inspirational teacher who believes in you and helps you find your center.

There's Boyfriend Jesus—who wraps his arms around us as we sing about his intoxicating love in our secret place.

There's Good Example Jesus—who shows you how to help people, change the planet, and become a better you.

And then there's Jesus Christ, the Son of the living God. Not just another prophet. Not just another Rabbi. Not just another wonder-worker. He was the one they had been waiting for: the Son of David and Abraham's chosen seed; the one to deliver us from captivity; the goal of the Mosaic law; Yahweh in the flesh; the one to establish God's reign and rule; the one to heal the sick, give sight to the blind, freedom to the prisoners and proclaim Good News to the poor; the Lamb of God who came to take away the sins of the world.

This Jesus was the Creator come to earth and the beginning of a New Creation. He embodied the covenant, fulfilled the commandments, and reversed the curse. This Jesus is the Christ that God spoke of to the Serpent; the Christ prefigured to Noah in the flood; the Christ promised to Abraham; the Christ prophesied through Balaam

before the Moabites; the Christ guaranteed to Moses before he died; the Christ promised to David when he was king; the Christ revealed to Isaiah as a Suffering Servant; the Christ predicted through the Prophets and prepared for through John the Baptist.

This Christ is not a reflection of the current mood or the projection of our own desires. He is our Lord and God. He is the Father's Son, Savior of the world, and substitute for our sins—more loving, more holy, and more wonderfully terrifying than we ever thought possible. (Source: Kevin DeYoung, "Who Do You Say That I Am?" from his DeYoung, Restless, and Reformed blog (posted 6-10-09)

July Birthdays

- 03 – Opal Allen
- 04 – Mary Smith
- 10 – Lois Berry
- 12 – Susie Folsom
- 16 – Alan Watkins
- 16 – Joe Gerber
- 17 – Aaron McNeece
- 23 – David Stephens
- 24 – Russell Rauh
- 24 – Gary Lancaster
- 27 – Rick Allen
- 27 – Patricia Thomas



August Birthdays

- 01 – Karalee Kleehammer
- 04 – Doug Boline
- 05 – MacKenzie Weaver
- 10 – Bob Plant

- 12 – De Rauh
- 14 – Chris Rauh
- 22 – Wayne Folsom
- 23 – Jean Bernard
- 31 – Jo Anne Arnett

All of you are invited to the First Friday Birthday Celebration on the first Friday of the month at TGIF (Capital Circle N.E.) at 12:00 p.m. RSVP to Sara Jean Wainwright -- ph: (562-6599).

ALL SAINTS CHURCH  **WEBSITE**

Mike Stephens has set up a beautiful and well-organized YouTube site for our church. To get there copy and paste [All Saints Church Tallahassee](#) into your browser. He has created a fabulous video about All Saints as well as having organized videos in logical groupings.

Jean Williams Leads Women's Retreat at Holy Cross

Our own Jean Williams was the leader of a Women's Retreat sponsored by Holy Cross Anglican Church and organized by the Daughters of the Holy Cross chapter at Holy Cross. Women at all Anglican churches in the Tallahassee area were invited and several All Saints women attended. The title of the retreat was **Sabbath Time**. Jean assisted the ladies in reflecting on God's great love for each of us and then set aside time for them to practice being silent in His presence. Many reported that they experienced His nearness and His love in the quiet time. Jean ended the morning with an activity where all attendees created two God's Promises bookmarks- one to keep and one for sharing to remind someone else of God's love for His people. Jean's time was followed by Holy Eucharist led by our own Mtr. Trina McCarthy. The retreat was held at a beautiful and peaceful local home where God's handiwork was present throughout.



REPORTS FROM MISSIONS THAT WE SUPPORT

FROM CITY WALK URBAN MISSION

- I am UNDEFEATED. An appropriate shirt to wear as I helped a woman and her children in a domestic violence situation. The back of that shirt quotes Philippians 4:13 "I can do all things through Christ." What would be overwhelming and cause great fear on our own strength is conquerable when acting in His strength. This woman kept saying "You're so brave. How are you not scared?" The Gospel was shared many times over several days. She has been in an abusive cult for 20 years and starting to question their teachings. She and her children have endured enormous abuse. We have been able to share the truth of God's word and help them with physical, emotional, and legal needs. This took a lot of travel and late nights but totally worth it. No greater joy than bringing someone lost to the foot of the cross.



- First Saturday @ Southside we gave groceries to just shy of 400 people. Many shared their struggles with finances, health, and family issues. So many people came up to say 'thank you for being here and doing this for us. This really blesses my family.' At the moment, every resident at the men's home is employed. Between the backgrounds, the lack of education, and no drivers licenses it has been very challenging. It takes a lot more from our family to get up earlier and get the guys to their various jobs and make the rounds again in the evening but it's so worth it.
- The farm at the men's home is coming along. Getting our first batch of honey from the hives, added 4 hogs, and the garden is looking lush. Thank you for supporting City Walk!

Jeff & Kattia Krouse--Serving Global Teams

I would like to focus in this letter on the movement to follow Christ which is afoot in the country where we serve. I meet with its two senior leaders (Humble and Rose) weekly, and partner with the Shepherd team daily in finishing the entire New Testament that features a literal translation of the Greek, as well as a more readable idiomatic translation. The (cont. pg 4...)

movement has embraced the abridgment of the Old Testament and Gospels that Vince and I produced between 2001 and 2016, and which is still in the process of being refined and printed. Take for example this anecdote shared by Humble in a recent debriefing:

“The other day I got a phone call from an unknown number. Usually I wouldn't pick up, but the person called repeatedly so I eventually answered. It turned out to be someone to whom I had given a copy of Stories from the Torah several years ago. The person asked if I could give him more books like that. I said, 'I'll try and come after Ramadan.'” May God bless this caller as we near the end of Ramadan!

Our good friend and colleague Jimmy plays the role of debriefing Humble and Rose after their ministry travels and sharing those confidential reports with the wider team. I was really impressed to read his write-up of the leaders' travels to many cells of the movement to facilitate the celebration of Easter. This was the first time I got a close-up look at the sheer complexity of what is going on in the various locations. Here I will share a few highlights, always thankful for your prayer as the needs become clear.

The name given to the holiday is "the celebration of protection." This "protection" is that offered by the blood of the slaughtered lamb on Passover which was fulfilled by Jesus on the cross. When I met Humble last week, he was able to share with me a verse from the Quran they use to point people toward this celebration Surah 5:114, in which Jesus is said to pray to God for a table spread with food from the heavens as a celebration and a sign. The leaders explain to people that this refers to the Last Supper, and so celebration of this sacrament forms part of their Easter celebration. They also challenge listeners that although Muslims have many celebrations in their calendar, this is in fact the only celebration that is instituted by the Quran itself. Only those who have been baptized are permitted to take part in the sacrament. Sometimes when guests come to the celebration who have not been baptized and cannot partake in the supper, the believers sitting around them refrain as well so they won't feel bad.

Rose and three other leaders conducted the readings and teaching on one occasion in his home village, where 30 people were present. Some of the chants you heard if you came to our dedication of the abridgment in March were performed- the equivalent of hymns in our Western churches. In reflecting on the

experience, Rose commented, "My village is so different from 20 years ago we had no idea anything like this would happen!"

As Vince stakes out his new assignment in the Belgian seminary getting schooled in the Biblical languages, he continues to work with me getting the prints of our abridgement north to these Shepherd partners, who then distribute them through their own channels. In the recent international summit where approval of the translation of the "divine familial terms" (Father-Son) was gained, Larry witnessed firsthand the excitement of one of the Shepherd leaders who joined them from a distant area when he read our OT-Gospels abridgement. This abridgement serves to demonstrate the fulfillment of prophecy in Jesus the Messiah, while the full NT translation will take more time to finish.

PRAYERS

- That God will help us strategize a timely and effective finish to this stage of the full translation of Gospels + Acts + Revelation for use primarily by the movement and secondarily for wider distribution.
- That Vince and I can continue to collaborate peaceably with regard to his internship and final steps for the OT- Gospels abridgement (print, conversion to a phone app, copyright, etc.). He is going through a very hard time right now as he is far away from family in the seminary.
- Healing for the back of "Keith," a Shepherd brother who recently underwent surgery, and with whom we've been checking the Gospel of John regularly.
- Agreement in the team about many issues, including the ideal "register" of the translation (language difficulty), what to include/disclude, formation of an effective board of reviewers, etc. God especially to move in this regard as we gear up for a July consultation on the Gospel of Mark.
 - William's role assisting us in reviewing and testing the NT translation with his peer groups, as well as recovery from a kidney stone and his own fundraising with Susan

A Letter from Raising Kids

Dear All Saints Anglican Church of Tallahassee,

Thank you for your faithful support of your sponsor child, Dawt Hnem Par, in (cont. pg 5...)

Myanmar. Great things are happening there. For instance, this year, a technical school will be built on the campus in Yangon which will provide training for young people in various industries.

School starts this month (May)! The children are excited for the new school year to begin. During their break, they had their summer Bible camp which you would have read about in the SEAPC magazine.



The months of April and May are transition times at the home as new children arrive before the school year begins and a handful from the home transition out to jobs, families, and other situations. With so many transitions at one time, we have learned that it is best to gather all of it into one report as the new school year begins. Please pray for all of the new children who have arrived and for the few who have left.

there, he was given an SD card with photos of each child and letters for sponsors. You will find yours in this envelope.

In addition to their abundant thanks, we have some prayer requests from the team in Myanmar. Please join in praying for the following for Charity Children's Homes.

- For sponsors for 84 children/youth at Charity Children's Homes plus the new kids who have just arrived
- For the kids to have a heart to learn
- For the children's spiritual maturity and success (to see the Glory of God)
- For the health and wisdom of the leadership and staff
- For God to reveal His vision for the older youth's lives to them and enable them to seek out that vision.

Thank you very much for your dedication and support. You are a huge part of what makes all of this possible for the children.

SOLE HOPE

Thank you to all who came to trace, cut, and/or assemble shoe pieces. We will be sending 42 pairs of shoe tops to Africa to be assembled into shoes for children.





July 2017 All Saints Service Schedule

	2 nd	9 th	16 th	23 rd	30 th
Chalice	Jean Williams	Mike Stephens	De Rauh	Ken Klos	Jean Williams
Write in sub					
Crucifer/ Acolyte	Betty Ann Watkins	Vienna Pozniak	Mike Stephens	Betty Ann Watkins	Chris Rauh
Write in sub					
Greeter	Chris Thursby	Doug Boline	Matthew Thursby	Chris Thursby	Doug Boline
Write in sub					
Usher	Bob Plant	Ken Klos	Alan Watkins	Bob Plant	Ken Klos
Write in sub					
Audio	Sue Klos	De Rauh	Vic Aderhold	Matthew Thursby	Sue Klos
Write in sub					
1st Reader	JoAnne Arnett	Justin Glenn	Matthew Thursby	Aaron McNeece	JoAnne Arnett
Write in sub					
Old Test	Isaiah 2:10-17	Zech 9:9-12	Isaiah 55	Wisdom 12:13, 16-19	1 Kings 3:3-14
Psalm	89:1-18	145:1-13	65	86	119:121-136
2nd Reader	Vic Aderhold	Jean Williams	Henri Thursby	Frankie Allen	Sarah Stephens
Write in sub					
Epistle	Romans 6:1-11	Romans 7:21- 8:6	Romans 8:7-17	Romans 8:18-25	Romans 8:26-34
Gospel	Matthew 10:34-42	Matthew 11:25- 30	Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23	Matthew 13:24- 30, 34-43	Matthew 13:31- 33, 44-50
Refreshments	Bell	Hartsfield	Covered dinner	Boline	Watkins
Write in sub					
Altar Guild	Sue, Renee, Karalee	Bonnie, Vienna	Susie, Henri	Sue, Renee, Karalee	Bonnie, Vienna
Write in sub					

**All Saints Service
August 2017
Schedule**

August

	6 th	13 th	20 th	27 th
Chalice	Mike Stephens	De Rauh	Ken Klos	Jean Williams
Write in sub				
Crucifer/Acolyte	Vienna Pozniak	Mike Stephens	Betty Ann Watkins	Chris Rauh
Write in sub				
Greeter	Matthew Thursby	Chris Thursby	Doug Boline	Matthew Thursby
Write in sub				
Usher	Bob Plant	Ken Klos	Alan Watkins	Bob Plant
Write in sub				
Audio	De Rauh	Vic Aderhold	Matthew Thursby	Sue Klos
Write in sub				
1st Reader	Justin Glenn	Aaron McNeece	JoAnne Arnett	Matthew Thursby
Write in sub				
Old Test Psalm	Neh 9:16-21 78:13-25	Jonah 2:1-10 29	Isaiah 56:1-8 67	Isaiah 51:1-6 138
2nd Reader	Vic Aderhold	Jean Williams	Henri Thursby	Frankie Allen
Write in sub				
Epistle Gospel	Romans 8:35-39 Mt 14:13-21	Romans 9:1-5 Mt 14:22-33	Romans 11:13-24 Mt 15:21-28	Romans 11:25-36 Mt 16:13-20
Refreshments	Williams	Kistler	Covered dish	Arnett
Write in sub				
Altar Guild	Susie, Henri	Sue, Renee, Karalee	Bonnie, Vienna	Susie, Henri
Write in sub				