

CONNECTING AND REFLECTING EXPERIENCE

Next Week: Dec. 11, 2016

Title: "The Greatest Gift, the Darkest Night, the Brightest Dawn!"

Texts: Psalm 22

Objective - Psalm 22 is about David's fear & faith and fulfilled in Christ's death and resurrection. It is those who look past today's events to see God's sovereignty in tomorrow's presence.

Outcome - The worshipper should leave planning some gift or event through which they can pass on to the next generation a story of redemption in their life. see vss. 30-31

This next week's readings:

Dec. 5-11, Psalm 73-74
Dec. 12-18, Psalm 120-127

Parents with your Children...

Go to one of the websites listed under "Online Resources" at dougdelp.me



Look up a Christmas tradition from another country that your family might consider participating in this year.

Prayer Requests:

CARE Groups

Our Purpose:
To help families apply the truth of God's Word in everyday life and build closer relationships within our church.

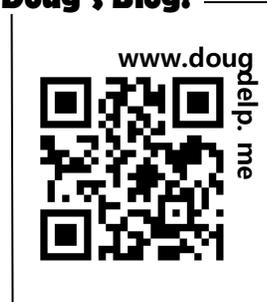
Our Passage:
"But God has {so} composed the body... {that} the members should have the same care for one another."

1 Cor. 12:24-25 (NAS)

Timber Lake Christian's website:



Doug's Blog:



In a Nutshell: "Joy to the world ... the gospel in both Old & New... the good news is to all the world not just you! "

Ice Breaker: : What's your favorite Christmas tradition? Why?

Title: "CHRISTmas for all Nations"

Texts: Psalm 2; Luke 4:18-19

HIS WORD

1. Psalm 2 - How is Jesus (The Anointed One) regarded by God? by Kings of other nations? by those that are lost? by those that seek refuge in Him?
2. How did Jesus describe his work as he announced to His people that he was the Messiah? Luke 4:18-19
3. How many different ways does God say in the Old Testament that His intention was to save the world not just the Jews? Gen. 12:3; Ps. 22:27; Is. 42:4; 49:6; 56:3,6; 60:1-3; Jer. 16:19-21; Zec. 2:11; Mal. 1:11
4. What key points of the gospel are described in both the Old and New Testaments? Rom. 3:23 & Is. 64:6; Rom. 6:23 & Is. 59:2; 1 Pet. 2:24 & Lev. 17:11; Heb. 8:6 & Jer. 31:31-34; Jn. 3:16 & Dan. 12:2

YOUR WORLD

Have you ever heard of a "Messianic Psalm"? How might this Psalm help you have a more accurate view of the Christmas season? Consider introducing a Christmas tradition from a foreign nation into this years celebration... How many of the key elements of the Gospel found in both the Old and New Testaments are you comfortable explaining to someone new?

Small Pieces

Objective - Pluralism says all faiths are equal. The Bible says God is Sovereign over all Nations, and the Joy of redemption is for all nations. The Gospel is age old, found in both the Old and Testaments. The Christmas traditions of many cultures reflect shadows of the story of Jesus' birth.

BIG Picture

Outcomes: The worshipper should leave respectful of how transcendent the message of CHRISTmas is around the world. It's not about YOU! Many foreign traditions and pagan religions reflect on the need for new life, redemption and giving gifts out of love.