



SERMON GUIDES

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BeLove – Being the Hands and Feet of Jesus | WEEK #5

01.

INTRODUCTION

This is the final week of the BELove sermon series. Rev. Sunglo "RJ" Jun, Associate Director of Serving for the Virginia Annual Conference explored how to be Love to the world around us.

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DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- What's the first thing that comes to mind when you say the word blessing?
- When we say someone is "blessed" what does this mean?

Rev. Jun said the goal of the church is not to do good in the world. Lots of organizations do good but we are called to be a blessing.

- How does the Christian idea of blessing differ from the world's view of blessing?

Blessing comes when we fully surrender to God.

Read Acts 3:1-10.

- Peter said he has no silver or gold. No material blessing. What is the thing that he can give?
- Why is it important to remember that blessing isn't materialistic but blessing is identity in Jesus?
- Take a moment to remember when you accepted Christ as your savior. The good news that God sent Jesus to heal our sins and give us abundant life is THE blessing out of which everything else flows.

Read Genesis 12:1-3.



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- What is happening here?
- Who is doing the blessing?
- Who received the blessing?
- What does Abraham need to do receive the blessing?
- Is the goal of blessing only for Abraham? How far does the blessing spread?

Abraham was blessed by God to be a blessing to others. Rev. Jun called to mind an image of a champagne fountain. We receive the blessing from God, it over flows through us, to the world around us.

In order to be a blessing to world around us, we must first receive God's blessing.

Read Psalm 67 – in the VOICE version if possible.

- According to these verses when do we receive blessing?

We receive blessing when we worship. We worship, then we are blessed, it is out of this blessing that we then bless the world around us.

- Share a time when you have experienced the blessing of God.

03. NEXT STEPS

Here at Woodlake we believe a disciple of Jesus attends worship at least 42 times a year and shows gratitude daily. Find out more about our Discipleship Standard [HERE](#).

This week attempt these two things:

- Connect to God in corporate worship.
- Take a moment each day to say thank you to God for the blessing you have received through Jesus.