

The Way Part 3

June 28, 2020

"...I am the way, the truth, and the life..." **John 14:1-7**

Jesus' life, death, and resurrection made a way for us to be reconciled to God and gave us an example to follow... **a way 2 Cor 5:14-18**

"The Jesus way wedded to the Jesus truth brings about the Jesus life. We can't proclaim the Jesus truth but then do it any old way we like. Nor can we follow the Jesus way without speaking the Jesus truth" **from The Jesus Way by Eugene Petterson**
Jesus invited people to follow him and learn his ways **Mark 1:15-18**
the biographies of Jesus (**Matthew, Mark, Luke and John**) are a window into the way of Jesus.

*"If you want to emulate someone you don't just look at what he or she said or did; you like at how he or she lived the details of day-to-day life... Jesus never commands you to wake up in the morning and have a quiet time, read your Bible, live in community, practice Sabbath, give your money to the poor, or any of the core practices from his way... He just does these practices then says, 'Follow me.'" **from The Ruthless Elimination of Hurry by John Mark Comer***

The Way includes actions, lifestyle, the how of life

"... don't just listen to God's word. you must do what it says."
James 1:19-2:20

Jesus' longest recorded teaching is bookended with:

But anyone who obeys God's laws and teaches them will be called great in the Kingdom of Heaven. **Matthew 5:19b NLT**

Anyone who listens to my teaching and follows it is wise, like a person who builds a house on solid rock. **Matthew 7:24 NLT**

"Your love for one another will prove to the world that you are my disciples." - **Jesus in John 13:35**

May we be known by our love, may our actions testify to our faith

- Will you make time to learn the ways of Jesus? (read the Gospels)
- Will you voice practical ways in which you can better follow Jesus? (accountable to yourself and others)

WE COME SERVE STAND GROW GIVE GO TOGETHER

OFFICE HOURS **Our offices are open again** You can stop by or make an appointment if you would like to speak with or pray with a staff member. We are here for you!

HOUSE CHURCHES **Growing Together in Smaller Groups** House Churches are forming. Some are meeting on Zoom, some at our building, and others in homes. They meet at various times throughout the week. Visit our website to see a list of current House Churches or contact Justin or Julie Cardinal to participate.

HOW TO GIVE **You can continue to give online** Download the ChurchCenter App, click the link on ntcmassena.com, or mail a check to continue giving.

TOGETHER READING PLANS **Daily Devotionals** Our staff has selected a series of devotionals to read together through the Bible App. Links can be found on ntcmassena.com through the "Read With Us" link at the top of the page.

this week...

CROSS CURRENT **Will meet @ Barnhart Beach** (weather permitting). Youth come on out to the beach for worship and games from 6-9pm and bring a friend!

PRAY TOGETHER **On Facebook Live** Join us Thursday mornings at 8am on Facebook Live to pray together. Comment your requests and we will pray for you.

coming up...

VBS One Night Event on Wednesday, July 15 join us for a shortened but just as fun Vacation Bible School Event here at NTC!

THERE IS MORE MARRIAGE WEEKEND **Rescheduled** Our Marriage Weekend has been rescheduled for October 16th-17th. If you have already registered you are all set. If the new dates don't work for you we can refund you at any time.



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