New Song News

Psalm 33:20-22 (ESV)²⁰ Our soul waits for the LORD; he is our help and our shield. ²¹ For our heart is glad in him, because we trust in his holy name. ²² Let your steadfast love, O LORD, be upon us, even as we hope in you.

Philippians 3:7-11 (ESV) ⁷ But whatever gain I had, I counted as loss for the sake of Christ. ⁸ Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ ⁹ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God that depends on faith—¹⁰ that I may know him and the power of his resurrection, and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, ¹¹ that by any means possible I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

Today

- ✓ 9am, Sunday school class for children
- \checkmark Updated Bible reading journal pages can be found in the back

This Week

- \checkmark Wednesday, 10am, Ladies' Bible Study at Nancy Seman's home
- \checkmark Wednesday, 7:00pm, All Church Prayer Gathering, in person or via Zoom.
- ✓ Thursday, 7:30pm, Learning Community in person and via Zoom.
- ✓ Friday, 10am, Women's Bible Study at HQ.
- \checkmark Friday, 1:00pm, Learning Community in person and via Zoom.
- ✓ Saturday, 10am 3pm Everyday Wellness Seminar See insert.

Looking Ahead

- ✓ May 21, 8-9:30am, Men's Study.
- ✓ New Song FB Live link: <u>https://www.facebook.com/NewSongPittsburgh/</u>.
- \checkmark New Song YouTube Channel Sunday sermons, Thursday Bible Studies & Pastor Herb's daily 12:11pm From Where God Sits episodes:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCGj3cRY-AnOkv1AetkgDMMw

 \checkmark Find Sunday sermons, & Pastor Herb's daily 12:11pm From Where God Sits episodes at New Song Pittsburgh on Spotify

Regular Offering	Projected Budget	Family Assistance	Children of Promise
5/1/2022 2,818.00	\$ 2,818.54	5/1/2022 \$ 0.00	5/1/2022 \$.50
To Date \$ 57,002.78	\$ 50,733.69	Balance \$ 5,000.77	Month Total \$ 0.50
Building Fund			
Experiencing More Campaign (ended 4/3)			
5/1/2022	\$ 190.00	Actual \$	51,424.66
Year To Date	\$ 4,810.00	Pledged \$	84,800.00
So you can receive credit for your giving, please print your name & amount on the offering envelope.			

New Song Notes, Pastor Herb Shaffer

What Means "the Whole World" to You?

May 8, 2022

Luke 9:23–25 ²³And he said to all, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me. ²⁴For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will save it. ²⁵For what does it profit a man if he gains the whole world and loses or forfeits himself? Luke 9:23–25 (ESV)

Luke 9:23-25

 DCF - Deny... Take up cross... Follow Invitation from all-loving Heavenly Father

Review

- Sobering Choice v. 23
- Stark Truth of the Choice v. 24
- > Logic and Math of the Choice v. 25
- > The Curious Numbers of those who choose to follow Matt 7
- > Requires that we choose God over people Luke 14:25-33

Essential Question: Is there anything Jesus could ask to which you would respond, "That's too much?"

Making Jesus our whole world

1 John 2:15–17 (ESV) (pew Bible p. 1021)

1. Gaining or losing "the whole world."

1 John 2:15 (ESV) ¹⁵Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him.

Luke 9:23–25 (ESV)



Galatians 2:20 (**ESV**) ²⁰I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

2. Categories of "the whole world."

1 John 2:16 (ESV) ¹⁶For all that is in the world—the desires of the flesh and the desires of the eyes and pride of life—is not from the Father but is from the world.

- ◆ Pleasure "desires of the flesh"
- ◆ Possessions "desires of the eyes"
- ◆ Pride "pride of life"

Luke 16:13 (ESV) ¹³No servant can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money."

Romans 6:16 (**ESV**) ¹⁶Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness?

3. RSU Lifestyle of making Jesus "the whole world".

1 John 2:17 (ESV) ¹⁷And the world is <u>passing away along with its desires</u>, but whoever does the will of God abides forever.

It's simply the smart choice...

Ephesians 3:20–21 (ESV)²⁰Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, ²¹to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

Philippians 3:7–11 (ESV) (pew Bible p. 981)

1 John 3:1–3 (ESV) (pew Bible p. 1022)

What do we do with this?

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What stuck out to you?

What is God saying about what stuck out?

Note: What do you need to do in response?



New Song Community Church

Living Right-Side Up

- + S.L.O. Lifestyle with God Together Surrender → Listen → Obey ...*together*
- Soldier-like Friendships
 "Iron sharpens iron, and one man sharpens another." Proverbs. 27:17
- ★ Salty Presence "Beyond the Walls" Making people thirsty for Jesus