

Order of Service



Sunday, July 12, 2020

Message by Pastor Nick

Summer Series: Good Question!
"Specks and Planks and All God's Saints"

Based on the question "How do you work towards accountability
within community without judging?" Matthew 7:1-6

We are continuing our series called "Good Question" based on questions
on God, the Bible and the life of faith that have been suggested by you.

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Call to Worship Psalm 34:8-18

"Taste and see that the LORD is good;
blessed is the one who takes refuge in him.
Fear the LORD, you his holy people,
for those who fear him lack nothing.
The lions may grow weak and hungry,
but those who seek the LORD lack no good thing.
Come, my children, listen to me;
I will teach you the fear of the LORD.
Whoever of you loves life
and desires to see many good days,
keep your tongue from evil
and your lips from telling lies.
Turn from evil and do good;
seek peace and pursue it.
The eyes of the LORD are on the righteous,
and his ears are attentive to their cry;
but the face of the LORD is against those who do evil,
to blot out their name from the earth.
The righteous cry out, and the LORD hears them;
he delivers them from all their troubles.
The LORD is close to the brokenhearted
and saves those who are crushed in spirit."

Song: [You are the Salt of the Earth](#)

You are salt for the earth, O people:
Salt for the Kingdom of God!
Share the flavour of life, O people:
Life in the Kingdom of God!

*Bring forth the Kingdom of mercy,
Bring forth the Kingdom of peace;
Bring forth the Kingdom of justice,
Bring forth the City of God!*

You are a light on the hill, O people:
Light for the City of God!
Shine so holy and bright, O people:
Shine for the Kingdom of God!

You are a seed of the Word, O people:
Bring forth the Kingdom of God!
Seeds of mercy and seeds of justice,
Grow in the Kingdom of God!

We are a blest and a pilgrim people:
Bound for the Kingdom of God!
Love our journey and love our homeland:
Love is the Kingdom of God!

Bring forth the Kingdom of mercy,
Bring forth the Kingdom of peace;
Bring forth the Kingdom of justice,
Bring forth the City of God!

Prayer:

Lord Jesus, you said,
"Blessed are the poor in spirit,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven."
Keep us from being preoccupied with money and worldly goods,
and with trying to increase them at the expense of justice.

Lord Jesus, you said,
"Blessed are the gentle,
for they shall inherit the earth."
Help us not to be ruthless with one another,
and to eliminate the discord and violence
that exists in the world around us.

Lord Jesus, you said,
"Blessed are those who mourn,
for they shall be comforted."
Let us not be impatient under our own burdens
and unconcerned about the burdens of others.

Lord Jesus, you said,
"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for justice,
for they shall be filled."
Make us thirst for you, the fountain of all holiness,
and actively spread your influence in our private lives and in society.

Lord Jesus, you said,
"Blessed are the merciful,
for they shall receive mercy."
Grant that we may be quick to forgive
and slow to condemn.

Lord Jesus, you said,
"Blessed are the clean of heart,
for they shall see God."
Free us from our senses and our evil desires,
and fix our eyes on you.

Lord Jesus, you said,
"Blessed are the peacemakers,
for they shall be called children of God."
Aid us to make peace in our families, in our country,
and in the world.

Lord Jesus, you said,
"Blessed are those who are persecuted for the sake of justice,
for the kingdom of heaven is theirs."
Make us willing to suffer for the sake of right
rather than to practice injustice;
and do not let us discriminate against our neighbors
and oppress and persecute them.
Amen

- As posted on www.catholic.org.

Invitation for Personal Prayers

*We invite you to offer up your own prayers in this time.
Whether silently or spoken out loud, praying for yourselves,
our community, country and world in this time.*

Song: [Will You Let Me Be Your Servant](#)

Will you let me be your servant, let me be as Christ to you?
Pray that I might have the grace to let you be my servant, too.

We are pilgrims on a journey, we are trav'lers on the road.
We are here to help each other walk the mile and bear the load.

I will hold the Christ-light for you in the nighttime of your fear.
I will hold my hand out to you, speak the peace you long to hear.

I will weep when you are weeping, when you laugh I'll laugh with you.
I will share your joy and sorrow till we've seen this journey through.

When we sing to God in heaven, we shall find such harmony,
born of all we've known together of Christ's love and agony.

Text: Matthew 7:1-6

“Do not judge, or you too will be judged. For in the same way you judge others, you will be judged, and with the measure you use, it will be measured to you. “Why do you look at the speck of sawdust in your brother’s eye and pay no attention to the plank in your own eye? How can you say to your brother, ‘Let me take the speck out of your eye,’ when all the time there is a plank in your own eye? You hypocrite, first take the plank out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to remove the speck from your brother’s eye. “Do not give dogs what is sacred; do not throw your pearls to pigs. If you do, they may trample them under their feet, and turn and tear you to pieces.”

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Closing Prayer

God, may we go on into our days now,
And live as one body in Christ
May we be at peace, and care for one another.
May we suffer with one another, and rejoice with one another.
May we give attention to your word, God,
And proclaim the good news of freedom to all.
And God, may you delight our hearts and sharpen our vision.
May your son, Christ Jesus keep us, thought and word, in his grace.
And may your Holy Spirit be the foundation that sustains us all,
And binds us together as one.
Amen

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Song: Go Now in Peace

- Listen and Sing Along with This Week’s Recording -

Go now in peace. Never be afraid.
God will go with you each hour of every day.

Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true.
Know He will guide you in all you do.

Go now in love, and show you believe.
Reach out to others so all the world can see.

God will be there watching from above.
Go now in peace, in faith, and in love

Benediction:

“Brothers and sisters, rejoice! Strive for full restoration, encourage one another, be of one mind, live in peace. And the God of love and peace will be with you. May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all. Amen”

1 Corinthians 13:11, 14