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Up for the Journey #5

Win on the Road!

³⁰ Jesus said, "**Love the Lord your God** with **all your heart, soul, mind,** and **strength** (all yourself). ³¹ The second, **love your neighbor** as yourself..." **Mark 12:30-31**

Anything we allow to get in the way of **loving God** centrally & reverently and **loving others** graciously and selflessly leads us into slavery (not truly free).

➤ self-righteousness, undue pride, self-indulgence, callousness, self-loathing, etc..

¹⁹ And **Jesus took bread**, gave thanks and broke it, and gave it to them, saying, "This is my body given for you; do this in remembrance of me."

²⁰ In the same way, after the supper **he took the cup**, saying, "This cup is the **new covenant in my blood**, which is poured out for you. ²¹ But the hand of him who is going to betray me is with mine on the table..

²³ They began to question among themselves which of them it might be who would **betray him**. ²⁴ A dispute also arose among them as to which of them was considered to **be greatest**.

²⁵ Jesus said to them, "The kings of the Gentiles lord it over them; and those who exercise authority over them call themselves Benefactors.

²⁶ But you are not to be like that. **Instead**, the greatest among you should be **like the youngest**, and the one who rules like the one who serves. ²⁷ For who is greater, the one who is at the table or the one who serves? Is it not the one who is at the table?

But I am among you as one who serves.

Luke 22:19-27

➤ **Jesus calls us to love through service & sacrifice!**

³¹ "**Simon**, Simon, Satan has asked to sift all of you as wheat.

³² But I have **prayed for you**, Simon, that **your faith may not fail**.

And when **you have turned back**, strengthen your brothers.

Luke 22:31-32

➤ **Peter illustrates we all fail & fall short of God's glory!**

³⁹ Jesus went out to the Mount of Olives, and his disciples followed him.

⁴⁰ On reaching the place, he said to them, "Pray that you will not fall into temptation." ⁴¹ He withdrew about a stone's throw beyond them, **knelt down** and **prayed**, ⁴² "Father, if you are willing, **take this cup from me**; yet not my will, but yours be done." ⁴³ An angel from heaven appeared to him and strengthened him. ⁴⁴ And **being in anguish**, he prayed more earnestly, and his sweat was like drops of blood falling to the ground.

Luke 22:40-44

¹⁸ Because **Jesus himself suffered** when he was tempted, **he is able to help** those who are being tempted.

Hebrews 2:18

➤ **Jesus suffered deep anguish & is glad to help us in ours!**

Crossroads Church

Discovering Life Connected with God!

Our Vision

To be a dynamic and diverse family of believers in Jesus Christ connected in transforming relationships with God, each other, and our world!

Our Purpose and Mission

To connect people with God, God's family, and God's mission through a transforming relationship with Jesus Christ!

Our Strategy

To fulfill God's purpose in our lives through a balanced commitment to love God with our entire being and to love our neighbor as ourselves, according to God's Great Commandment and Great Commission in the Bible.

Our Commitment

Growth

To speak and act more like Jesus Christ each day of our lives.
To reach people disconnected from God with the love of Jesus.

Relationships

To develop depth, consistency, and closeness in our walk with Jesus.
To share life and spiritual journey together with each other.

Relevance

To apply God's truths and principles to life in practical ways.
To engage and meaningfully share Jesus with people.

Involvement

To participate in church family relationships and responsibilities.
To discover and contribute our dynamic and diverse abilities.

Truth

To value Jesus Christ and the Bible as God's eternal revelation to us.
To believe and center on Jesus Christ as forgiver and life leader.

Let's Catch the Vision and Share the Mission Together!

"We are an autonomous, biblically-based church family that actively partners locally and internationally to fulfill our mission to connect people in transforming relationship with Jesus Christ!"