

Beyond Sunday

Reframe

A Sermon Application Guide

This guide is designed to offer a simple tool for those wanting to take the next step with Sunday's message. You can print this guide to study on your own, or use it in a group and experience transformation together.

Our hope is that the living, breathing words of truth that are revealed to you become a part of your everyday life. In the book of James, we read about a key to living life with God. We are told that if we ask for wisdom by faith then we shall receive it generously from our Father in Heaven. One of the best ways to receive this wisdom is by preparing to receive it. We invite you to pray this prayer prior to the message and starting the study guide:

“God, thank You for Your truth and wisdom. Help me to see what I need to see, hear what I need to hear, and know what I need to know. Holy Spirit, help me to understand in a way that shows me the Father's true nature and heart. May this time help me to know You more and become more like Jesus. Amen.”

Message Theme

Having a Biblical worldview

Key Concepts/Truths

Having the right foundation is a key to assure that the storms and issues of life will not cause you to fall. Many times when we fall it is because we have believed a lie. Our view and focus is something other than God's truth.

One of the ways to abide in truth is found in maintaining a Biblical worldview.

Ways to identify that your worldview needs realignment to God's worldview:

- Your main focus in life is fun and pleasure.
- Your goal is to accumulate enough so that you can sit back and do nothing.
- You're receiving misery and emptiness from the things that promised you joy and fulfillment. • You're living your life simply to please other people based on their opinions.
- You have a “I just need more!” mentality and are never satisfied with what you have.
- You have a self-reliant “me first” way of life, expecting everything to be about you.
- Tolerance has become your greatest virtue while truth is relative and correction is impossible.
- Your biggest importance is placed on physical/human matters over spiritual matters, seeking to solve issues solely through rational ways, excluding spiritual intervention.
- You wish that your will would be done rather than on God's will being done.

- Your dreams are crushed, cynicism has crept in, and your discouragement is based on predestined inevitable events.

If any of these things are a part of your current way of living then celebrate right now. Celebrate that God's has revealed this to you and that He has a better way. This better way has life and joy attached to it as well.

Significance does not come from status, wealth, stuff, or self; it comes from serving others and serving God. In finding God's purpose for our lives, we will miss out if we start with ourselves.

We must start with, and prioritize, God.

What to do if you identify that your worldview could be more Biblical:

- Deny selfishness and put God's desires first.
- Seek first God's Kingdom and it will reprioritize your life according to His will.
- Realize that your life truly consists of what God says about you, not in the abundance of your possessions.
- Find God's purpose for your life. Make your life about what you live for, rather than what you live on.
- Love God with all your heart, soul, and mind.
- Live selflessly knowing that success does not come from money, serving yourself, and getting stuff. It comes from serving others and serving God.
- Stop listening to and tolerating your flesh. Do something about it.
- Realize that Jesus is the way, the truth, and the life. He has, and is, the answer to every situation.
- Believe that all things are possible for God and have the faith to speak to your circumstances from the authority that God has given you to affect change on the earth.
- Allow God's word to change the way you think.

Key Verses: Psalm 11:3 • Matthew 7:24 • Matthew 16:24-25 • 2 Timothy 3:16 • Isaiah 5:20 • Mark 8:37 • Ecc. 5:10 • Revelation 4:11 • Matthew 22:37-39 • Mark 10:43 • Mark 11:23 • Proverbs 14:12 • 2 Cor. 11:4 • Romans 12:2

Which one truth do you already have evidence of in your life today? Ask the Lord for new ways to see even more of it for you and others around you. Write your answers out.

Which one truth is the most challenging or least existing in your life today? Why do you think this is? Ask the Lord if there are any beliefs or barriers that are keeping you from believing that particular truth. Write it out.

Real-Life Application

A Biblical worldview anchors us in knowing that God keeps His promises, that we matter to God and we are loved by Him. We get that Biblical worldview by changing the way we think based on God's word. When we change the way we think, we will change the way we live.

There is positive change and blessing that God wants to bring into our lives, there is truth and security in His word and we are forgiven of sin and part of His family.

When is the last time we all asked God to search our heart and reveal to us the lies we've been believing? If how we see the world is based on our belief then we need to let go of improper beliefs and receive the truth that God freely gives in its place.

Set aside some time today to change the way you think and align it to the word of God. As you pray, ask the Lord to be your way, your truth, and your life.

This Week's Declarations

Life is released when your words are in agreement with God. Intentionally speaking life and biblical truth out loud is extremely powerful. In fact, you have that very life in the power of your tongue. These words below, when spoken out loud, will cause an acceleration of the reality of God's words in your life. We encourage you to speak the following with an expectancy to renew your mind and see God's fullness.

- Jesus is the way, the truth, and the life.
- I seek first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness.
- I choose to spend time in God's word, changing the way that I think, receiving God's truth over man and the devil's lies.
- I repent of any lie that I have been believing and hold firm to God's truth.
- God is love and I show that love to others through what I believe, say, and do.

What's Next?

Now it's time to write down anything that the Lord has spoken to you. Praise Him, thank Him, and ask the Holy Spirit to help you walk this out.

Scripture References **Reframe**

Psalm 11:3 NKJV

If the foundations are destroyed, What can the righteous do?

Matthew 7:24 ESV

“Everyone then who hears these words of mine and does them will be like a wise man who built his house on the rock.

Isaiah 5:20 NKJV

Woe to those who call evil good, and good evil; Who put darkness for light, and light for darkness; Who put bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter!

Timothy 3:16 MSG

Every part of Scripture is God-breathed and useful one way or another—showing us truth, exposing our rebellion, correcting our mistakes, training us to live God’s way.

Matthew 7:24 NKJV

“Therefore whoever hears these sayings of Mine, and does them, I will liken him to a wise man who built his house on the rock:

Hedonism - the pursuit of pleasure; sensual self-indulgence

2 Timothy 3:4 NKJV

...lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God,

Matthew 16:24-25 NKJV

Then Jesus said to His disciples, “If anyone desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me. For whoever desires to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake will find it.

Matthew 6:33 NKJV

But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you.

Mark 8:36-38 NKJV

For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world, and loses his own soul? Or what will a man give in exchange for his soul? For whoever is ashamed of Me and My words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him the Son of Man also will be ashamed when He comes in the glory of His Father with the holy angels.”

Materialism - a tendency to consider material possessions and physical comfort as more important than spiritual values.

Ecclesiastes 5:10 NKJV

He who loves silver will not be satisfied with silver; Nor he who loves abundance, with increase.

Luke 12:15 NKJV

And He said to them, "Take heed and beware of covetousness, life does not consist in the abundance of the things he possesses."

Matthew 22:37-39 NKJV

Jesus said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.' This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.'

Revelation 4:11 KJV

...and for thy pleasure they are and were created.

Individualism - the habit or principle of being independent and self-reliant

Matthew 16:25 NKJV

For whoever desires to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake will find it.

Mark 10:43-45 NKJV

but whoever desires to become great among you shall be your servant. And whoever of you desires to be first shall be slave of all. For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many."

Pragmatism-A person who is pragmatic is concerned more with matters of fact than with what could or should be. A pragmatic person's realm is results and consequences.

Revelation 2:20 RSV

But I have this against you, that you tolerate the woman Jez?ebel, who calls herself a prophetess and is teaching and beguiling my servants to practice immorality and to eat food sacrificed to idols.

Proverbs 14:12 NKJV

There is a way that seems right to a man, But its end is the way of death.

Mark 7:13 NKJV

making the word of God of no effect through your tradition which you have handed down. And many such things you do."

Humanism - an outlook or system of thought attaching prime importance to human rather than divine or supernatural matters. Humanist beliefs stress the potential value and goodness of human beings, emphasize common human needs, and seek solely rational ways of solving human problems.

Matthew 6:10 NKJV

Your kingdom come. Your will be done On earth as *it is* in heaven.

John 14:6 NKJV

Jesus said to him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.

Fatalism - the belief that all events are predetermined and therefore inevitable.

Psalm 78:41 NKJV

Yes, again and again they tempted God, And limited the Holy One of Israel.

Mark 10:27 NKJV

But Jesus looked at them and said, "With men it is impossible, but not with God; for with God all things are possible."

Mark 11:23 NKJV

...whoever says to this mountain, 'Be removed and be cast into the sea,' and does not doubt in his heart, but believes that those things he says will be done, he will have whatever he says.

1 John 5:19 NKJV

We know that we are of God, and the whole world lies under the sway of the wicked one.

Luke 11:2 NKJV ...Your kingdom come. Your will be done On earth as it is in heaven.

Romans 12:2 NKJV

And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.

Romans 12:2 NLT

...but let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you think.