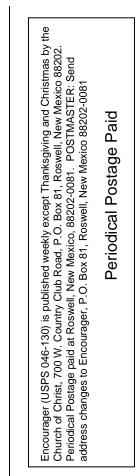
Hope Rises: Loneliness

Gen. 2 (Garden Scene) – "It is not good for man to be alone."

- I. Loneliness brings a sense of incompleteness.
 - a. People who need people are. . .
 - i. Ec. 4:9-12.
 - ii. We were meant to function best in the context of community (fellowship).
 - b. True fellowship remains an elusive pursuit for many people.
 - Something happened to God's intention he created fellowship – but sin entered the picture.
 - ii. Some of our worst decisions are because we wanted to fill this need.
- II. There are two different kinds of loneliness.
 - a. Relational loneliness.
 - i. We can function this way but we still don't meet our deepest needs.
 - ii. Jesus deliberately chose community.
 - iii. That is why God created the family.
 - iv. Ps. 68:6.
 - v. Eph. 2:19.
 - b. Spiritual loneliness.
 - i. Man was created to do two things.
 - ii. Ps. 42:1-2
 - iii. This begins with seeking God.
- III. How can we bind our hearts to God and others?
 - a. Appreciate the fact that God understands our loneliness.
 - i. It hurts God to see us alone.
 - ii. Ps. 34:18.
 - b. Help alleviate your hurt by helping others.
 - i. Prov. 18:1.
 - ii. Prov. 18:24 (end).
 - iii. The best way to heal your hurt is to minister to someone else's hurt.
 - c. Appropriate the promise of God with us.
 - i. ls. 41:10.
 - ii. Acts 18:9-10.
 - iii. We know that in our heads, but do we know it in our hearts?
 - iv. Heb. 13:5.



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CHURCH of CHRIST

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Sunday Worship (10:00 a.m.) Sunday Bible Study (9:00 a.m.) Wednesday Bible Study (6:30) Life Groups (Various Locations) Minister: Doug Austin Elders: Tim Dunnahoo Wayne Fenter - Lee Rogers Kent Taylor - David West Lee Rogers Lee Rogers



Song Leader: Kent Taylor
Song: 593 – We Shall Assemble
Welcome: Doug Austin
Songs: 639 – How Sweet, How Heavenly (vs. 1, 2, 4 & 5)
594 – Bind Us Together
598 – A Common Love
285 – No, Not One
Communion Song: 350 – Come, Share the Lord
Communion Offering: Robert Austin
Song: 608 – God's Family
Sermon: Doug Austin – "Hope Rises: Loneliness"
Invitation Song: 977 – Why Do You Wait? (vs. 1 & 4)
Closing Song: 592 – Take the Name of Jesus with You (vs. 1)
Closing Prayer:

Sunday Morning Bible study (9:00 a.m.)

The Period Between the Testaments – Jon Young (Rm. 27) How We Got the Bible – Jesse McCarty (Sm. Fellowship) Philippians – Doug Austin (Couch Room) Revelation (Spanish Class) – Mynor Vasquez (Rm. 15) Jr. High/High School – Thomas Beard (Teen Room – Rm. 26) JL 4th – 6th grade – JL History Room JL 1st – 3rd grade – JL History Room 4's, 5's & Kinder – Amy Joy (Rm. 12) 2's & 3's – Rachel & Mattie McCarty (Rm. 3) Nursery up through age 2 – Various teachers (Rm. 1) Life Group meeting times & locations: Warboys Life Group meets @ 4 in Room 25 Morrow Life Group meets @ 4 in the couch room Austin Life Group meets @ 5 at 3313 Highland



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Visitors, please scan the QR code to let us know you're worshipping with us today. We pray our time together is a blessing to you!

Prayer Requests

- Matt Rogers received good news from his recent bone marrow biopsy. All his numbers look great!
- Wynn Anderson will undergo a heart ablation procedure on October 2nd.

Continue in Prayer

Anita Zuniga, Clara O'Neil, Sam Gentry, Cheryl Ringheimer, Helen Aston, Elaine Bell, Kathleen Sherman, Chris & Glenna Bertola, Mary Ann Baeza, Betty Vinson, Janice Bennett, Doris Rodriguez, Robert & Elizabeth Gomez, Gale Wright, Charles Glover, David Bradley



We are in the midst of some exciting changes in the life of our church! Classrooms are changing, kid's church has begun, and exciting developments are coming down the pike! In addition to the new Spanish class, the Heart to Heart classroom will soon move to room #16, which will also be receiving an overhaul! The Resource Room is under an ongoing reorginization process and the long set of cabinets in the church office is also getting a facelift! On top of all that, we had 34 kids in our very first week of kid's church!! Please continue to pray as we navigate through what is sure to be an exciting and ambitious process.

<u>Updates</u>...

Life@CCR

- Thank you to our hardworking Recharge staff this past week—**Amy Joy, Marcine McDaniel, and Sue Creighton.** Next week's Recharge meal will be Mexican Stack! All of our slots for cooks have been filled for this quarter.
- We are gearing up for another Trunk or Treat, taking place on the afternoon of October 27th! We hope you'll consider providing a trunk & participating this year. It's always a lot of fun and there's even a prize for the most creative trunk! Additionally, the office has begun collecting candy donations—we need lots! A donation basket is in the church foyer.
- The past couple of weeks we have experienced some technical difficulties both on the radio broadcast as well as Facebook. We apologize for these issues! It was determined our mixing board from 1986 finally ran out of steam. It has since been replaced and we hope to have a seamless broadcast this Sunday!
- Doug's ongoing sermon series on anxiety & depression will continue this Sunday with a lesson on loneliness. Be sure to tune in & invite your friends for this timely message!

Journey Land Rotation Week of 9/22/2024			
Red Team		Blue Team	
Wodposday	Sunday	Wednesday	
9/25: History/ Geography	9/22: Bible Story	9/25: Bible Story	
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For the Record

Sunday/Wednesday Bible Class	
Sunday AM	206
Weekly Contribution	\$6,768

Week @ a Glance Celebrations & Happenings

22 nd	A.M. worship @ 10 a.m., also available on 106.5 FM	
	Facebook Live & YouTube.	
	Kylie Montgomery's b-day.	
23 rd	LJ Harrell & Cherish Sexton's b-day.	
24 th	Anna Ingalls' b-day.	
25 th	Ladies Bible Class @ 10 a.m.	
	Recharge @ 5:30 p.m.	
	Bible Class @ 6:30 p.m.	
	Aurelio Pacheco's b-day.	
27 th	Pat Escalante & Vanessa Baeza's b-day.	
28 th	Tim Dunnahoo's b-day.	

Life Groups Study Guide -

Text: Eccl. 4:9-12

- 1. When have you felt the loneliest? If you are willing, share your stories.
- 2. How did Covid impact our relationships? Did we stay in "isolation" even after we were "let out?" Was the groundwork for loneliness already set in motion before Covid?
- 3. How has social media impacted the feelings of loneliness? How has it impacted you?
- 4. Have you ever felt invisible? How can you help people who feel like nobody sees them?
- 5. In what ways did Jesus minister to the lonely? Tell some of those stories. What can we learn from Jesus?
- 6. How can helping somebody else be a healing moment for somebody who is lonely?

Those Scheduled to Serve for September

Deacons on Duty: Dale English, Pablo Contreras, Jacob Puckett, Michael O'Neil **Men on Duty**: S.C. Morrow, John Matta, Tom Shaffer,

Marco Ramirez