

FAM JAM: Wednesday. 7/13 @ 6 p.m.

- Come enjoy a spaghetti dinner (gluten free pasta & sauce available!), fellowship and prayer for VBS
- Cost is \$5/person or \$15/family
- Please RSVP by signing up at the welcome desk today!



VBS:
July 18–22

Still interested in serving at VBS? Contact Jim Bennett at jim@harvestcharlotte.com to see how you can fit in to this great week!

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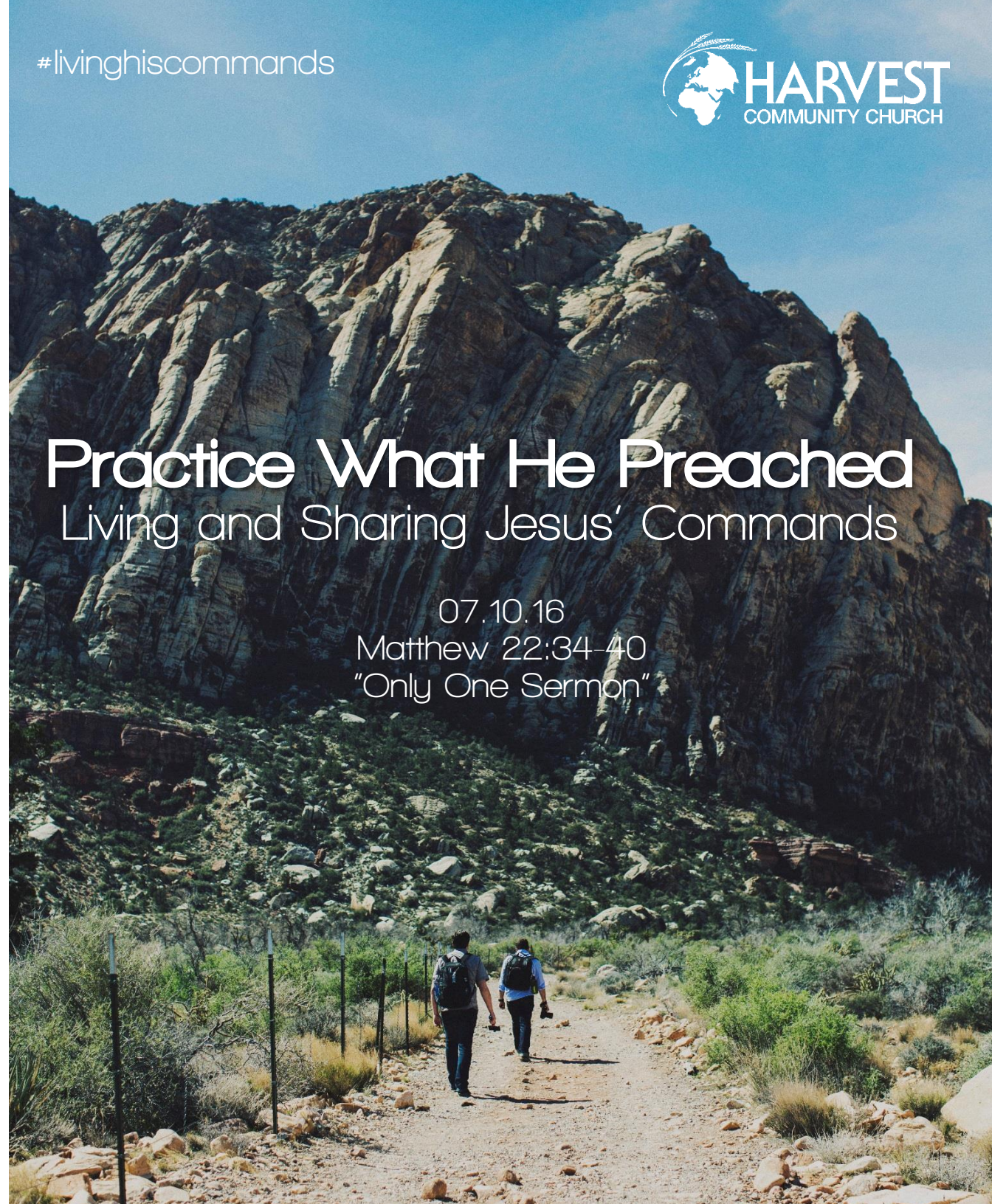


#livinghiscommands



Practice What He Preached Living and Sharing Jesus' Commands

07.10.16
Matthew 22:34-40
"Only One Sermon"



WELCOME!

Our vision

Is to develop people into followers of Jesus Christ with a passion to worship God well and communicate his love to others.

If you are our guest today

Please complete the guest card located in the chair pocket in front of you. After the service, everyone is invited to join us coffee and connection time in our Café. Guests, we would love to meet you and introduce ourselves.

Churchwide Prayer

Sundays from 9:00 – 9:45 a.m.

Each week an important part of our church life is gathering as a family to pray. Please join us next Sunday as we seek God together.

Baptism

If you are interested in being baptized, we plan to hold a baptism some time in the next few months. Registration forms are available at the welcome desk. Please complete the form and return it to a staff member if you are interested in participating.

Our six pillars

- Giving worship to God, not entertainment
- Basing everything on the Bible
- Disciple-making
- Prayer as our first option rather than last
- Being grace-oriented, not legalistic
- Community (developing Biblical relationships)

Harvest Kids classes

Nursery, toddler and preschool classes are available during the worship service. Elementary students join their families for the first half of the service, and then are dismissed to their classes. We are working through "A Sure Foundation" curriculum with the babies and toddlers and "The Gospel Project for Kids" curriculum with the preschool and elementary aged kids.

Stewardship

Sunday 7/3/16 General Fund	\$	9,843
Greater Steps Building Fund	\$	20
To Missions (17.5%)	\$	1,719

CHURCH LIFE:

Opportunities to Serve

- Stan Reckard is seeking volunteers to join the **Scripture reading team**. Please contact him at stan.reckard@gmail.com or (704) 661--8778 for more information.
- Cory Granata is seeking volunteers to join the **usher team**. Please contact him at corygranata@live.com for more information.
- Volunteers who are interested in running **projection** once per month can contact Henry at henry@harvestcharlotte.com for more information.
- We are looking for men willing to be on call to assist with occasional simple tasks in our **church facility and grounds**. No special skills required. Please contact Joe Mercier at (704) 302-1631 for additional information.
- Opportunities are available to serve our **Harvest Kids!** No experience necessary. We provide training for all of our classes – babies, toddlers, preschool and elementary. Contact amygranata@gmail.com for more information.
- Still interested in serving at **VBS?** Contact Jim Bennett at jim@harvestcharlotte.com to see how you can fit in to this week.

Harvest Kids

Monthly volunteers are invited to pick up their Harvest Kids ministry t-shirts at the table in the back of the worship center.

Harvest Ladies

"Broken Together," will focus on forgiveness and prayer. Join us Tues., July 26, and Tues., August 23 at 7:00 p.m. at Paula Grande's house in Highland Creek. Contact Paula Grande with questions: pmgrande76@gmail.com.

Moms in Prayer will meet the third Sunday of every month during the summer. Join us: July 17 and August 21 from 6:15 – 7:15 p.m.

Harvest Men

Join us the first and third Wed. at 7:00 p.m. in the Café as we study the Bible and enjoy fellowship and prayer together. Contact Ed Fritz with questions: edfritz@alumni.clemson.edu.

Join us for breakfast on Sat., July 16 at 8:00 am at Acropolis Café in Cornelius. Contact Bob Spillane with questions: robertspillane@icloud.com.

Practice What He Preached

Living and Sharing Jesus' Commands

Only One Sermon // Matthew 22:34-40

The essence of following God is
loving Him _____
and loving others _____.

Background: Deuteronomy 6:1-9

Context: testing (Matthew 22, and now in verses 34-36)

How Jesus sums up what it means to live for God:

1. Love for God must be _____ (37-38).

"love"

"all"

"heart, soul, mind"

2. Love for your neighbor must be _____ (39).

*Notice the importance Jesus gives to these commands:
the _____ for us (40)

Worship

Jesus is the only one to _____!
(Matthew 5:17-20)

Obey

1. Don't misunderstand what God is asking.
 - a. Not just an _____
 - b. Not just _____
 - c. Not just _____ some devotion to Christ
2. Depend on God's indwelling Holy Spirit to grow in . . .
 - a. Obedience to Him (i.e., his commands) (John 14:15-21)
 - b. Centering life around Him (Galatians 2:20-21; Philippians 1:21; Colossians 3:1-4)
 - c. Serving others _____

Train

1. _____ it for them in the context of a real-life relationship.
2. _____ for and with them.
3. Ask them to _____ this material and discuss with them their answers to some key questions:
 - a. Based on Matthew 26:36-46, how did Jesus fulfill the command to love God comprehensively? What do you admire about Jesus?
 - b. Based on John 4:1-42, how did Jesus fulfill the command to love his neighbor as himself? What do you admire about Jesus?
 - c. What are some practical, specific ways that you can love God with your whole being this week?
 - d. What are some practical, specific ways that you can love your neighbor as yourself this week?

Share how you're living out this material during the week by using #livinghiscommands on social media.