

SERMON & PRAYER NOTES

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We don't care where you've been....
We only care about where you're going...

Holy Spirit Community Church
'Seeking God's will, Sharing God's love'

Sunday April 6th 2025



Pastor Charlie Hansen

Genesis 19 ~ Luke 17:32

Matthew 10:39 ~ Galatians 2:20

John Newton: From Slave Trader to Hymn Writer

John Newton, the author of the famous hymn "Amazing Grace," lived a life of sin as a slave trader before his dramatic conversion. In the midst of a violent storm at sea, Newton cried out to God for mercy, and that moment marked the beginning of his spiritual journey. Newton renounced his former life and eventually became a pastor, advocating for the abolition of the slave trade.

"Amazing Grace" reflects Newton's gratitude for the grace that saved him, and his story serves as a profound reminder of God's ability to redeem even the most hardened hearts.

Corrie Ten Boom: Forgiving in the Aftermath of the Holocaust

Corrie Ten Boom's story is one of deep faith and forgiveness. During World War II, she and her family hid Jews in their home to protect them from the Nazis, only to be arrested and sent to concentration camps. After losing her father and sister, Corrie was released from the camp and began a ministry focused on forgiveness and reconciliation.

Despite the horrors she experienced, Corrie forgave her captors and even came face to face with one of the former guards who had tormented her in the camp. Her incredible story of survival and forgiveness is a powerful example of how faith can lead to healing, even in the darkest of times.

Mary Magdalene: From Outcast to Devoted Disciple

Mary Magdalene is one of the most well-known figures in the New Testament, known for her transformation from a troubled woman to a faithful follower of Jesus. Scripture tells us that Mary was delivered from seven demons by Jesus ([Luke 8:2](#)), and from that moment on, she became one of His most devoted disciples.

Mary's story shows that no matter how lost or broken someone may feel, God's healing power can bring about a complete transformation. Her life serves as a reminder of the value and dignity that Jesus offers to those who are marginalized or oppressed.

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Welcome

Opening prayer
WORSHIPPING

Offering
KOINONIA

Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me, and I will hear you. You will seek me and find me, when you seek me with all your heart.

REFLECTION

A time that we can spend in quiet prayer with our Lord and Savior .

Sermon

Getting past the past

COMMUNION SUNDAY

Open to all.

WORSHIPPING

With music and song as we again sing to the Lord

Closing prayer and blessing

Scriptures referenced today: