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SERMON: What are Your Goals for 2021

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[1] At that time the disciples came to Jesus and asked, “Who, then, is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?”

[2] He called a little child to him, and placed the child among them.

[3] And he said: “Truly I tell you, unless you change and become like little children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.

[4] Therefore, whoever takes the lowly position of this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven.

[5] And whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me.

[10] “See that you do not despise one of these little ones. For I tell you that their angels in heaven always see the face of my Father in heaven.

[12] “What do you think? If a man owns a hundred sheep, and one of them wanders away, will he not leave the ninety-nine on the hills and go to look for the one that wandered off?

[13] And if he finds it, truly I tell you, he is happier about that one sheep than about the ninety-nine that did not wander off.

[14] In the same way your Father in heaven is not willing that any of these little ones should perish.

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1. To _____ **the lost and hurting saved.**

- *Luke 19:10* For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost.
- *Luke 15:7* I tell you that in the same way there will be more rejoicing in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who do not need to repent.

2. To _____ **God and neighbors.**

- *Matthew 22:36-39* “Teacher, which is the greatest commandment in the Law?” Jesus replied: “‘Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.’ This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’”

3. To _____ **the Father**

- *John 6:38* For I have come down from heaven not to do my will but to do the will of him who sent me.
- How should we _____?
 - _____
 - _____
 - _____
 - _____ His family and _____ the people He loves.



Deacon Ordination

Each year in February/March the Deacon Leadership Team starts the process of selecting men for the next year. The selection format is that the deacons propose a slate of 15 men to the church for affirmation. The criteria for Deacons are men who love the Lord, support the church, and are consistently involved in ministry for the church. They are called to visit the hospitals, handle emergencies, visit nursing homes, and where appropriate, visit the homebound. This year, due to COVID, they have had to become creative in visits through calls, text, and zoom.

These are the men who have agreed to serve in this capacity for a two-year term. The first column is the group elected and affirmed last year, so their term runs the two years of 2020 & 2021. The second column is the group that we, as a church are affirming in all three services this weekend. Their term will run for the two years of 2021 & 2022.

2020-2021 Term

Brian Baughman
John Brown
Tom Chambliss
Jason Coffey
Ed Covington
Syd Gibbs
Jack Knight
Charles Paradelas
Chuck Rich
Daniel Roberts
Don Saucier
Kevin Seal
Del Talley
Ron Trupp
Robert Vinson

2021-2022 Term

Jim Bishop
Danny Brown – newly serving
Ed Buckley
Joey Cochran – newly ordained
Mike Fairburn
Carl Fredericks – newly serving
John Fricke
Jason Hunt
Adam Martin
Mike Martin
Larry McKinney
Rhett Rush
Todd Snure
Steve Soileau
Barry Strickland

Part of our worship for January 2-3, 2021, will be a time to pray over our newly ordained deacon, Joey Cochran, and the two newly serving FBCCov deacons, Danny Brown and Carl Fredericks, as well as affirm all 15 men.