

## Neshaminy Valley Baptist

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*May 21, 2023 - 10:00 a.m.*

**May 21, Sun**

*Psalm 26*

**Birthdays: Asher Heim, Leah Heim**

**May 22, Mon**

*Matt 14: 13-21*

**Birthdays: Dylan Culver-Kuebler**

*Why do you think that Jesus withdrew (vs 13) and wanted to be by himself? For a different reason (vs 23) he repeats the withdrawal again. What is it that we can learn and practice?*

**May 23, Tues**

*Matt 14: 22-36*

**Birthdays: Becky Hart**

*In this incident, whether Peter walking on water or the wind ceasing, the end result was a response of worship and declaration "...you are the Son of God". When we are astounded by God's goodness or act, how often do we respond in spontaneous and impulsive worship?*

**May 24, Wed**

*Matt 15: 1-9*

**Birthdays: Joy Senkungu; Anniv.: Becky & Bruce Mason**

*The Pharisees were constantly critical and trying to find fault with Jesus. Do we lean towards criticisms, finding fault, negativity, etc. ... all in the name of guarding truth?*

**May 25, Thur**

*Matt 15: 10-20*

**Birthdays: Mikayla Dore**

*"What comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart ... defiles" (vs 18). The heart is the seat of one thinks, feel, etc. – and that leads to words, behavior, etc. How is your heart?*

**May 26, Fri**

*Matt 15: 21-31*

**Birthdays: Jen Fender, Andy Yotko**

*Consider the Canaanite women's humility, despair, pleading, words, etc. She moved Jesus to have compassion. What does this teach us about our own prayer life? What do we learn about God's heart and response?*

**May 27, Sat**

*Matt 15: 32-39*

**Birthdays: Rose Boulton**

*Jesus' compassion (vs 32) was unsolicited. God sees, hears, and knows ... even before He is appealed to.*

**May 28, Sun**

*Psalm 27*

**Birthdays: Bob Carroll**

Matthew 13: 24-30, 36-43

Entanglements

**Introduction:** How influenced or entangled is the 'world' in your life?

From other passages, we have learned that:

- A profession of faith, a good start, isn't proof or guarantee of saving faith [Parable of the Sower and Seeds, Matt 13: 18-23]
- On the last day many will claim to have done miracles, cast out demons, prophesied, etc. and Jesus turns to them and says "I never knew you"! [Matt 7: 21-23]

In this parable, we learn

1. There is a difference between \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_

In early stages of growth, they are \_\_\_\_\_

2. There are two realities: \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ (vs 25, 28a, 38-39)
3. Their \_\_\_\_\_ is very different (vs 40-42)

"kingdom of God" (Mark and Luke) and "kingdom of heaven"

(Matthew) are used interchangeably\*. It is not a \_\_\_\_\_

movement, but the \_\_\_\_\_ of Christ that has \_\_\_\_\_ (Luke

17: 20-21). It is more than just the "church" (i.e. Christians)

4. Two interesting things about this parable:

a) When did this happened? While they \_\_\_\_\_ (vs 25)

b) Why not pull them out now? Danger of \_\_\_\_\_ the wheat (vs 29-30)

- We underestimate outsiders – not only are they \_\_\_\_\_, they are \_\_\_\_\_ (cf. 13: 22; 2 Cor. 6:17, Phil. 3:20)

**Conclusion:** Be holy ... separate, loyal to the "kingdom of God"!

\* Compare: Matt 11:11-12 with Luke 7:28; Matt 13: 11 with Mark 4:11 and Luke 8:10; Matt 13: 24 with Mark 4:26; Matt 18:3 with Mark 10:14, Luke 18:16



If you are visiting with us for the first time, we want to warmly welcome you! Please fill out the visitor's card and put it in the offering plate. Thank you!

We would like to **thank Mani & Pravalika for their generosity** in hosting today's luncheon! Yes we too are grateful to God for answering prayers for Aleena; we rejoice and celebrate with them!

Nursery Update: Due to lack of demand, nursery volunteers will now be available on call but not waiting in the nursery. There are volunteers available and happy to assist you; please ask the usher at the door to alert them or text Toni at 215- 478-1958 if you need them.

The Young Adult Bible Study is taking off for May and will resume on Monday, June 5<sup>th</sup>.

## *What's Happening*

Sunday	9:00	am	Sunday School and ABF
	9:50	am	10-minute pre-service prayer (chair room)
	10:00	am	WORSHIP
	12:00	pm	Church Luncheon!
Tuesday	10:00	am	Women's Bible Study (Goetz)
	7:00	pm	Tai Chi
	7:00	pm	Small Group (Corbetts)
Wednesday	7:30	pm	Karate for Christ
	7:00	pm	Prayer [Outside Classroom]
			AA – Women's Meeting (Sanctuary)

### Dates To Remember

June 3 (Sat)	11 am – 2 pm	Carnival ( <i>Families affected by Disabilities</i> )
June 25 (Sun)	10 am	Worship on the Mound
July 16-21	6:30 pm	Vacation Bible School

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