

JESUS: THE GOOD NEWS

“The Cost of Following Jesus”, Luke 14:25-35
October 14, 17-18, 2015: Cam Huxford, Senior Pastor

“Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church and gave Himself up for her.” Ephesians 5:25

“But if anyone does not provide for his relatives, and especially for members of his household, he has denied the faith and is worse than an unbeliever.” 1 Timothy 5:8

Being part of the crowd around Jesus is not the same as being committed to Jesus!

A disciple of Jesus is a student whose goal is to become like their teacher.

“A disciple is not above his teacher, but everyone when he is fully trained will be like his teacher.” Luke 6:40

“Hate” is used as a comparative Hebraism that indicates preference and priority. To hate someone in this sense is to “love them less” than another.

It’s a paradoxical truth. If you love Jesus more than your family you will love your family more!

“Whoever loves father or mother more than Me is not worthy of Me, and whoever loves son or daughter more than Me is not worthy of Me.” Matthew 10:37

Sacrificial love and full devotion is the normal attitude of a disciple of Jesus.

When you put your faith in Jesus...you become His disciple.

Are we attracted to Jesus or attached to Jesus? For a disciple, that question has been settled.

- I. Following Jesus Is More Important to Me than My Life.** *Galatians 2:20*
- II. Following Jesus Is More Important to Me than Control of My Stuff.**
- III. Following Jesus Is More Important than Anything...So I’ll Never Quit Following Him!**

Ministry Opportunities

For more information about these and other events, go to SavannahChristian.com/Events.

Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Collection

Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 21, 24 - 25

Change the life of a child by filling a shoebox with toys, games and small gifts. Samaritan's Purse works with churches and ministry partners in over 130 countries worldwide to deliver the boxes and share the Good News of Jesus with children who wouldn't normally receive a Christmas gift. Pick up a shoebox and instructions in the lobby. We'll collect the boxes during services next week.

Construction Prayer

After the 6:45 p.m. Wednesday, 6:15 p.m. Saturday and 11 a.m. Sunday services, Oct. 21, 24 - 25

Building Site

Every month we want to give you the opportunity to pray in person over the new worship center we are building. Carlton Gill will lead a group into the construction site to pray over specific parts of the new building. Meet Carlton in the lakeside lobby immediately after the 6:45 p.m. Wednesday, 6:15 p.m. Saturday or 11 a.m. Sunday service next week. This opportunity is open to everyone age 10 and older.

Halloween Driveway Parties

Saturday, Oct. 31

Halloween is a great time to show the love of Jesus to people in our community. As families come trick or treating, we encourage you to get together with your friends or Life Group and have a driveway party. You could grill hot dogs, do a lemonade stand, play games - and look for opportunities to meet your neighbors and invite them to church.

Step into the Deep Retreat

5 p.m. Friday, Nov. 6 - 1 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 7

Epworth by the Sea

Ladies, join us for an overnight retreat as we take time out from the busyness of life and focus on finding our strength in Christ. Take a step deeper in your relationship with Him and refresh your understanding of who He is. We'll focus on the stories of Mary and Martha through teaching from Sarah Huxford, Joy Gill and Perri Baxter. Pay the registration fee at SavannahChristian.com by Friday, Oct. 23.

2015 Year-To-Date Giving and Attendance Through September

Average Weekly Attendance: 7,863

General Giving: \$10,753,998

The ONE Campaign Pledged: \$11,467,814

Online, Mobile and Kiosk Giving: 42% of Total Giving

YTD Transfers and Baptisms: 635

Faith Promise (Global Outreach): \$884,228

The ONE Campaign Received: \$8,361,677 (73%)