

**“LIGHT OF THE WORLD” . . . A STUDY OF THE GOSPEL OF JOHN  
DELAY THAT MADE A WAY  
Trusting God’s Glory Before Resolution**

John 11:1-16 Pew Bible Page 586

(Large print edition available at the tables on both sides of the Worship Center)

**The Family In Bethany  
Martha, Mary, and Lazarus**

A family of siblings who formed a close relationship with Jesus through hospitality and \_\_\_\_\_ — becoming not only followers, but also dear friends of Jesus.

**Jesus chose to delay, motivated by:**

1. The \_\_\_\_\_ of God (Verse 4).
2. His \_\_\_\_\_ for the family in Bethany (Verses 5-6).
3. Walking in the \_\_\_\_\_ of God’s will (Verses 9-10).
  - Jesus’ illustration reveals that walking (trusting) in God’s \_\_\_\_\_ (the light of day) allows sight and freedom from \_\_\_\_\_. Walking outside of that light leads to fear, confusion, and stumbling.
4. The resulting growth of \_\_\_\_\_ in His disciples (Verses 14-15).
  - “Lazarus has died, and for your sake I am glad...” The resulting faith was of greater priority than the \_\_\_\_\_ suffering.

**Application:**

**The Example of Jesus:**

- Jesus is never \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ about anything.
- Jesus both taught and modeled perfect \_\_\_\_\_ — free from fear, worry, and anxiety.
- Jesus had perfect peace because He trusted that God’s \_\_\_\_\_ plan would bring \_\_\_\_\_ even through temporary suffering.

**Our response to suffering:**

- Anchor our response in the \_\_\_\_\_ of God.
- Devote our response to the \_\_\_\_\_ of God.
- Entrust ourselves to the \_\_\_\_\_ of God.
- Wrap ourselves in the \_\_\_\_\_ of God.
- Place our hope in \_\_\_\_\_, not resolution.



**EXPERIENCE FAITH**

*Encounter God*  
MATTHEW 18:20

*Experience God Together*  
MATTHEW 22:37-40

*Empty Self*  
PHILIPPIANS 2:5-8

**JANUARY 4, 2026**

**SUMMIT**

**SET YOUR MINDS ON THINGS THAT ARE ABOVE,  
NOT ON THINGS THAT ARE ON EARTH.  
COLOSSIANS 3:2**

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# OPPORTUNITIES TO EXPERIENCE FAITH

Welcome to each of our guests! Thank you so much for coming. We hope you are blessed today and will come again very soon. It would help us greatly if you will complete the tear-off section of this bulletin and turn it in after the service at the E<sup>3</sup> CENTRAL desk in the main foyer or in the offering stands at the exit doors. We have a gift at E<sup>3</sup> CENTRAL for each first-time guest and will follow up with you by telephone.

## *Pray For Israel and Ukraine*

Welcome to this first worship service of the new year. We anticipate a wonderful year of worship and many opportunities for ministry and service as God works through us as a congregation to bring glory to Himself. If you are seeking a church home or a personal relationship with Jesus Christ, please allow us to be a part of your search and help any way we can.

## *Service Leaders Today*

Minister of Youth and Missions Caleb Parrish is preaching today, and we pray that God would use the message to change lives and move our hearts to deeper commitment and service. Minister of Contemporary Worship Adam Turnbo is away with our college group and our Worship Team will be leading late service music in his absence.

## *Empty Self*

Our Worship Center Christmas decorations will be removed today following the 11 o'clock service.

The model train Christmas display will also be removed this week. Anyone who can assist anytime during the week (including evenings), please contact Media and Tech Coordinator Justin Green at (940)257-9339. Any assistance would be greatly appreciated.

## *College Ministry*

A group of fifteen from our college ministry led by Minister of College and Young Adults Trent Creacy left today for a conference in Louisville, Kentucky called CrossCon. We pray for safe travel and a great experience of learning, worship and fellowship. They return Thursday.

## *Senior Adult Luncheon*

Our monthly senior adult luncheon is tomorrow. The menu is soups (provided) and salads so bring a salad or dessert. The program will be presented by Keith Beanland, MSU BSM director. The luncheon begins at 11:30 in Fellowship Hall and everyone is welcome.

**PARENT ROOM** to assist parents with restless children, the Parent Room is to your right as you sit in the Worship Center. Sound, windows into the Worship Center, and subdued lighting are available.

**E<sup>3</sup> CENTRAL** is located in the Rhea Road foyer outside the Worship Center. It is the place to go for information about preschool, children's, youth and adult activities and all things in church life.

*DNow 2026*

**January 23-25 — Cost is \$60. Register at [faithwf.com/students](http://faithwf.com/students) .**

This annual weekend is for grades 7-12 and includes teaching, worship and activities at the church beginning early Friday evening, overnight and meals in various homes Friday and Saturday nights (by school grade and sex), and recreation in our Family Life Center. We encourage parents and youth to support this event and invite your friends to share it with you. Questions can be directed to Minister of Youth and Missions Caleb Parrish or to Youth intern Maddie Land.

## *Lottie Moon Christmas Offering*

Please pray for our international missions work and this offering, 100% of which goes to the mission field. Offering envelopes are available on the missions table in the Worship Center foyer and also by the International Missions wall. Ask God what He would have you give this year. This is the last Sunday to receive contributions toward this annual offering.

## *Kitchen Crew*

Many thanks to Food Services Coordinator Sue Bartlett-Kosman and the many members of our volunteer Kitchen Crew who prepared, served and cleaned up after our churchwide brunch last Sunday. The meal was well-prepared and enjoyed by all.

Our volunteer Kitchen Crew needs more members beginning January 14. If you can help in our Family Life Center kitchen either Wednesday morning, Wednesday afternoon or clean up after the meal, contact Associate Pastor Larry Shields or Food Services Coordinator Sue Bartlett-Kosman for more information. We appreciate each of our Kitchen Crew members and the great work they do making our Wednesday night meals possible.

Wednesday family fellowship meal will resume January 14.

## *Abide Women's Ministry*

**BIBLE STUDY** – Thursdays at 6:15 p.m. in room 145

**GAME NIGHT** – Monday, January 12 at 6:00 p.m. in the FLiC

**BOOK CLUB** – Sunday, January 18 at 4:00 p.m. at Frank & Joe's on Kemp Blvd.

**BAKING CLUB** – Sunday, January 25 at 3:00 p.m. in the FLiC Kitchen

Stay connected to Abide by liking them on Facebook at "Faith Baptist Church – Abide Women's Ministry" or go to [faithwf.com](http://faithwf.com) to see all event dates and times.

## *Experience God Together with Us*

8:00 a.m. Streaming of last week's sermon available online

8:30 a.m. Blended Worship in the Worship Center

9:45 a.m. Small Group Sunday School classes for all ages

11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship in the Worship Center