

Icebreaker: Are you more likely to act before you think or think before you act?

From last week: Love your neighbor as yourself. Try to connect with a neighbor you don't normally connect with. Or connect with (or show mercy and love to) someone who doesn't offer you anything in return. Share with your group how you did.

Read scripture and discuss:

1. In this part of his letter, James is sarcastic and abrupt (see verse 20). Do you find this teaching style to be helpful or unhelpful?
2. Read verse 19 again. What is your reaction to that verse?
3. James asks: If a person has faith without works, can such a faith save him? Does this premise trouble you? How can James' idea of faith with works reconcile with the idea that faith alone saves?
4. Why is Abraham such a good example of faith in action (see Genesis 22)? What about Rahab (see Joshua 2)?
5. For James, what do you think constitutes a "dead" faith? What do you think constitutes a "dead" work?
6. In the first two chapters James has given us some examples of faith with works. Among them are caring for orphans and widows, loving your neighbor, showing mercy not favoritism, seeing joy in trials, giving food and clothes, being quick to listen and slow to speak. What are some other evidences of a vibrant faith that your group can list?
7. If someone wanted to see evidence of your faith, what could you show them? Who do you know who truly practices faith with works? What do they do?

This sermon series is called "Working Out Our Faith." Each week, we will recommend a practice to work out your faith.

Working out your faith: Abraham and Rahab both practiced their faith by showing hospitality in their lives. Practice hospitality this week as an evidence of your faith (e.g. show hospitality to someone at work, at home, or at church in worship or in the hallways). Discuss with your group next week.

Prayer: As your group closes in prayer, please remember the following requests from our church family.

- > Prayers of comfort for the McDaniel family in the passing of Greg's stepfather.
- > Prayers of healing for Phil Isenbarger and Daniel Qua.

Requests from ZPC's May's Prayer Calendar:

- > Pray for 2nd Half Adventurers, ZPC's 60+ ministry, as they grow in their relationship with God, one another, and our church family.
- > Pray for the Fuller Center for Housing and for the blessing of homes for families in need in Central Indiana.

what's coming up!

Sponsor a Compassion Child

Visit the Compassion International table in the Gathering Space this morning, where you will find photos of boys and girls who need you to choose them, to support them, to sponsor them, and to give them a voice.

> Cynthia McCall [cynthia_mccall@yahoo.com; 317.506.8488]

2nd Half Adventurers Spring Trip

Having reached full seating capacity for the bus, registration is now closed for 2nd Half's May 8 bus trip. Payments of \$25 per person and luncheon menu selections must be received by today to hold reservations. This can be done in the Gathering Space this morning.

> Jan West [317.251.6183]

ZPCMen at the Stacked Pickle

Wednesday, May 2 | 6:30 pm | Stacked Pickle Michigan Road
Men plan to attend dinner at the Stacked Pickle with ZPCMen this week!

Save the date for these upcoming events:
Hog Roast | Saturday, June 16 | 1 - 7pm | Struehs' House
Dinner | Wednesday, July 11 | 6:30 - 9 pm | Bru Burger
Father-Kid Canoe Trip | Saturday, July 28 | Turkey Run
Contact Greg for more information.

> Greg Rankin [greg@deeringdowntown.com]

All Church Brunch Next Week

Sunday, May 6 | 10 am - 12 pm | Gym
Join us next Sunday for an All Church Brunch in the Gym!

National Day of Prayer

Thursday, May 3 | 12 - 1 pm | Carmel City Hall
All are invited to pray for our Nation. We plan to meet in the Gazebo on the north side of Carmel City Hall. If weather is bad, we'll be in the City Council Chambers.
> Donna Bahler [317-703-5591; dbahler@indy.rr.com].

Open Job on ZPC Facilities Team

There is an opening on the ZPC Facilities Team. The position involves assisting with duties related to ZPC's building and grounds. It is a part-time job, 3 days a week. Contact Tim for more information.
> Tim King [timk@zpc.org; 317.873.8137x1011]

Join the ZPC Softball Team

ZPC will participate in league softball again this summer. Practice is during the week. Games are on Sunday afternoons. Please contact Tim for more information.
> Tim Millar [timmillar95@yahoo.com]

Join the fun at Str8Up Summer Camp

June 5 - 7, | 8:30 am - 4:30 pm | 1010 W 64th St, Indianapolis
Put on your bug spray and sunscreen and volunteer for ZPC Week at Str8Up's faith-based summer camp. Volunteers will assist teens in traditional camp activities, provide lunch, or serve as camp nurse. Contact Margaret to volunteer for one or more days.

> Margaret Gordon [cgqiemom@gmail.com; 317.219.9017]

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working out our faith

THE BOOK OF JAMES

**Welcome to ZPC!
We are so glad you're here.**

Sunday, April 29, 2018 | 9 and 10:30 am

Called together by God to make disciples and release them for service in our broken world.

zionsville
presbyterian church

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Zionsville, IN 46077
317.873.6503 | zpc.org

Church office hours:
Monday-Friday: 8:30 am-4:30 pm

 listen to last week's message at zpc.org/resources/sermon



worship

Sunday, April 29, 2018

Working out our faith | James

Scripture: James 2:14-25

Prayer after service: If you would like someone to pray with or for you, please go to the west alcove in the Sanctuary after the service. It would be our privilege to pray on your behalf.

Assistive listening systems are available upon request. Check in with the sound booth at the back of the Sanctuary.

who we are

Our focus is to become and make life-long learners of Jesus through:

1. **Creating a Caring Community**
2. **Centering Our Worship and Study on Christ**
3. **Encouraging Hands-on Missions**

Thank you for coming to ZPC! We would love to get to know you. We encourage you to record your attendance on the welcome pad at today's worship. Please provide your name, address, and contact information. Especially if this is your first time with us, we would welcome the opportunity to connect with you and even deliver a yummy treat!

Join us in the Gathering Space before and after services. Want a name tag? Sign up at the Welcome Center.

the week ahead [zpc.org for more]

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Later Today, Sunday, April 29

ZPCHSM | 6-7:30 pm | 9th-12th grades | Youth Center

Monday, April 30

ZPC Line Dancing | 1:30-2:30 pm | Gym

BSF | 7-8:30 pm | Sanctuary

Tuesday, May 1

Open Gym | 1-2:30 | Gym

Session Meeting | 6:3-9:30 pm | Room 201

Wednesday, May 2

Team World Vision Pastors Lunch & Learn | 12-2 pm | Gathering Space

Open Gym | 1-2:30 pm | Gym

ZPCMen Dinner | 6:30-9 pm | Stacked Pickle on Michigan Road

Thursday, May 3

Men's Thursday AM Bible Study | 6:15-7:30 am | Gathering Space

Loose Threads | 9:30 am-1 pm | Room 202

Boone County Voting Center | 1-8 pm | Gathering Space

Food Pantry | 5-6 pm | Room 109

Friday, May 4

Food Pantry | 12-2 pm | Room 109

Boone County Voting Center | 1-8 pm | Gathering Space

Saturday, May 5

Boone County Voting Center | 1-8 pm | Gathering Space

Sunday Mornings

Children

Nursery Care | 9 and 10:30 am | birth - age three | check in at the Children's Welcome Center

Children's Classes | 9 and 10:30 am | age four - fourth grade | check in at the Children's Welcome Center or in the Gathering Space.

Students

Middle School Ministry [ZPCMSM] | 9 am | Room 205 [fifth - eighth grades]

High School Ministry [ZPCHSM] | 6 pm | Youth Center [ninth - twelfth grades]

Adults

Adult Bible Study | 9 am | Room 201

Christian Spiritual Formation | 10:30 am | Room 205

Store up for yourselves treasures in heaven. **Matthew 6:20**

ZPC Stewardship Update: **[6/1/17-4/22/18]**

YTD Budget: \$ 2,114,162

YTD Offering: \$ 2,237,595

Sunday morning attendance: 466

Habitat Faith Build

Habitat for Humanity of Boone County is hosting a Faith Build this summer, which involves area churches including ZPC. The groups will be working together to build a home for a family in Whitestown.

ZPC is responsible for recruiting volunteers on the following days from 8:30 am-4 pm:

- Tuesday, June 5
- Wednesday, June 6
- Friday, June 8
- Saturday, June 9

For each day we need:

- 8-10 build volunteers
- a group to prepare and deliver lunch
- someone to share a morning devotional

Volunteers must be 16 or older. No skill is required just a desire to help. Visit habitatboonecounty.org and click on "volunteer" to sign up.

> Jane Burgess [jburgess1@att.net; 317.507.1078]



Volunteer for VBS



Sunday, July 15-Thursdays, July 19 | ZPC

Adults, high school students, and middle school students (who have completed 7th or 8th grade) please register to volunteer for this year's VBS: Babylon-Daniel's Courage in Captivity!

Sign up to volunteer or attend at zpc.org/vbs.

> Jennifer Tillema
[jennifer@educationresourcesllc.com]



Messy Mission Run

Saturday, May 12 | 9 am | ZPC | Cost: \$30

Join us for the Messy Mission Run, a fun, non-competitive, 5K run/walk/crawl. Proceeds benefit ZPC student ministries summer mission trips.

Register online at zpc.org or the day of the run beginning at 7:30 am at ZPC.

> Jon Graybeal [jong@zpc.org; 317.873.6503x1015]