

NOVEMBER 8, 2020 | STEVE NORBY

### Introduction

Why can't God just FORGIVE everyone & take us all to heaven?

- The Lord God is holy. He can't fellowship with the UNHOLY.
- Sin resulted in spiritual DEATH. A dead person needs to be resurrected.

### Summary

1. Fallen humanity needs to be made HOLY. FORGIVENESS of sins is a starting point.
2. Fallen humanity needs to be RESURRECTED from the dead.

### Big Thought

Jesus instituted a NEW, COVENANT. Hebrews 9:15

- You are DELIVERED from the slavery of sin to NEW LIFE in Jesus.  
Romans 6:22-23

### Get the Picture

God LOVES you & wants you to ENJOY a RELATIONSHIP with Him.

### Wrong Pictures of Relationship with God that Inhibit

1. A FENCE
2. A LADDER
3. A GARBAGE can

### The Right Picture

A DOOR

- Open the door of your heart & receive the GIFT of Jesus.

### Conclusion: What does it mean to be forgiven?

You have the OPPORTUNITY & EMPOWERMENT to live the BIGGER life that God offers.

### Reflection: What does it mean that you are forgiven?

**Mind:** It means you will forgive OTHERS because you KNOW what it means to be forgiven.

**Heart:** You can call God "Abba, daddy, Father." You can OPEN the door of your heart to God.

**Will:** You are FREE from sin. It doesn't MASTER you. You live entirely differently because you are forgiven & made new in Jesus.

Read Acts 1-2, Romans 12 & Galatians 5 for next week.

# THE BIG 3

THREE THINGS YOU NEED TO KNOW

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### T-FEST (WITH A TWIST)

This year we will not be hosting T-Fest as we normally do, instead we are going to try something a bit different. Following each of the services on November 22, we will be distributing gift cards for local restaurants. We encourage you to take one gift card per family & use it to help cover the cost of a meal. We hope that this small gift will bless your family & give you valuable time to share what you are thankful for this year!

### MEALS ON WHEELS

We are scheduled to deliver Meals on Wheels November 23 through December 4. We need drivers & helpers to pick up meals at the Brookings Activity Center (just north of the Brookings Library) by 11 a.m. Monday-Friday & deliver to area residents who are homebound. There are 5 routes; you can sign up for as many days as you would like. Please email Jodi Krogman at [info@gracepointwesleyan.org](mailto:info@gracepointwesleyan.org) or call the office, 692-6671, if you can help. Thank you!

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Sunday, November 15 - Child Dedications
- Wednesday, November 25 - NO KidsPoint, GSM or Adult Groups
- Wednesday, December 9 - Family & Friends Night - more details to follow