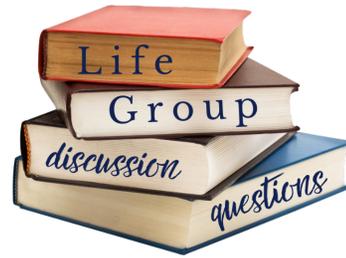


## OPENING DISCUSSION

When Jesus promises in Matthew 28:20 that He will be with us always, what expectations does this create in you?

What does it mean that Jesus is with us?



## SERMON

What does Jesus mean when He says he is no longer in the world? Where is Jesus going? How does this harmonize with Jesus' promise in Matthew 28:20?

Why do you think Jesus is so concerned about how the disciples will react to His bodily absence?

What does Jesus' prayer for His people reveal about the most dangerous pitfalls the church may experience?

Why is unity in the church so important? What does unity look like?

How did Jesus guard His people while He was in the world? How will He guard His people when He departs?

How might the answer to Jesus' prayer bring joy to Jesus' people?

## APPLICATION

For those of us who have never experienced the bodily presence of Jesus, how can we draw strength from His earthly ministry? How can we learn from what Jesus did?

How should our prayers for ourselves, the church, and the lost be modeled after Jesus' prayer?

What is the source of our unity in the church? How do we protect this unity in the church?

Why is it beneficial for us that Jesus is present with the Father?

From where will we draw our strength as we live holy lives in the world?

Not a part of a Small Group at North Hills?

Visit the church website and check out the different groups currently meeting.

When you see one that interests you, click on the link provided and know that the group will be glad you came!

<https://church.north-hills.org/connect/small-group-ministry>

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## John 17:11-13 (ESV)

And I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, keep them in your name, which you have given me, that they may be one, even as we are one. While I was with them, I kept them in your name, which you have given me. I have guarded them, and not one of them has been lost except the son of destruction, that the Scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to you, and these things I speak in the world, that they may have my joy fulfilled in themselves.

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## *The Lord's Prayer*

Today's message: Strength in the World

### **BIG IDEA:**

Jesus prays for the \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_  
of His people in the \_\_\_\_\_.

1. Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ His people to be in the \_\_\_\_\_. (John 17:11)

2. Jesus promises that the Father will \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus' people the same way  
he \_\_\_\_\_ them on Earth. (John 17:12)

3. Jesus goes to the Father for the \_\_\_\_\_ of His \_\_\_\_\_.  
(John 17:13)

### **RESPONSE:**

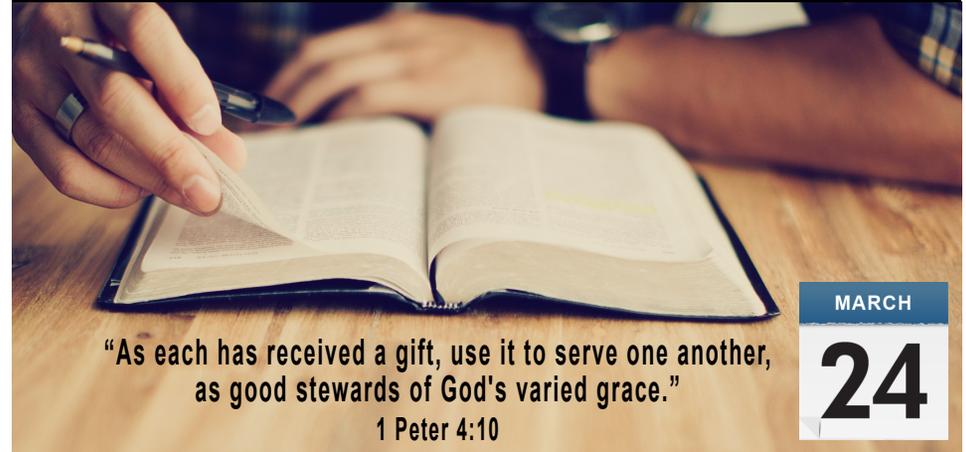
How will you take \_\_\_\_\_ in knowing that Jesus is  
\_\_\_\_\_ for you?

**Read the entire Bible chronologically in a year**

See *the church newsletter* for this week's Bible reading passages.

<https://church.north-hills.org/newsletters/weekly-newsletter>

## *North Hills Service Project Day*



**"As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another,  
as good stewards of God's varied grace."**

1 Peter 4:10

### Children's Ministry on Sunday mornings

Parents and guardians, we ask that you go to the **main entrance** of the Worship Center to check your child in. After service, go to the Preschool Playground (or Dodson Hall) in a timely fashion to check your child out. While our Sunday morning Children's Worship is designed for children, it is not mandatory children attend. Parents and guardians are welcome to keep their children with them in the Worship Center if they prefer.

### The FAMILY ROOM

***Want a place to go during the worship service when your young one is crying?***

***Want a place to go when your newborn needs to be fed?***

***Want a place to go where the service can be watched?***

***The Family Room has been designed especially for you!***

The Family Room (located on the first floor by the wooden double doors) is for parents who want to care for their children yet do not want to miss out on what is happening in the Worship Center. Parents, we invite you to come inside and make yourself at home.

We also have another room for parents. It is located on the second floor. It is a larger room where children can play and parents can watch the service as it is live streamed. The room next door has a restroom. Please feel free to use it and let us know if there is anything you need.

Parents, we are so glad you are here at North Hills. It is an honor and joy to serve you and your children. May God bless you today.

### Communication Cards and Offering Envelopes

At the **main entrance** and **senior parking lot entrance** of the Worship Center, you will find a pedestal box when you leave today. If you have filled out a Communication Card or Offering Envelope, please insert them into either of the boxes (please note the boxes will remain out for 15 minutes after the service). For those who prefer to contribute online, simply go to north-hills.org and click on Support NH or text GIVE to (707) 289-7600.