



Café VEF Worship Service (November 8th, 2020)

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Call to Worship	Psalm 47:5-7
Worship in Song	How Great Thou Art
Scripture Reading	Matthew 13:44-46
Worship in Song	Agnus Dei Shout to the Lord
Announcements	Jims
Message <i>"Are you a garbage collector?"</i>	John Olson Philippians 3:1-11
Benediction	John Olson

Questions for Group Discussion

1. What is something that you are thankful for this past week?
2. Do you have any questions about the message today?
3. What did God teach you?
4. Do you have any prayer requests?

Prayer Requests

Pastor Tom Curry and his wife, Rhonda, are in their last month of ministry in Indiana. Pray that they would be able to leave well. Also pray that their visa would be approved soon and that they would be able to find an apartment near the church.

Pray for the COVID situation around the world. Pray that places that are experiencing a high number of cases would be able to have enough hospital beds available and medical staff to care for people.

How to Count It All as Loss

Condensed from <https://www.desiringgod.org/articles/how-to-count-it-all-as-loss>

What does it mean to count everything as loss for the sake of Christ? What does it mean to renounce all that we have for Christ's sake? Paul said he does this. "I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord" (Philippians 3:8). And a few verses later he said, "Brothers, join in imitating me" (Philippians 3:17). So this is commanded of all believers.

This is what it means to be a Christian. It is not advanced discipleship; it is basic Christianity. This is confirmed in Jesus's words, "Any one of you who does not *renounce all that he has* cannot be my disciple" (Luke 14:33). Renouncing all we have is the same as "counting everything as loss." This is what happens in conversion. You can't be a disciple without it.

This is what I believe it means to find Jesus so all-sufficient and all-satisfying that (1) we count everything as loss (Phil 3:8), (2) renounce all our possessions (Luke 14:33), and, (3) "sell" all we have to possess the treasure of Christ (Mt 13:44).

None of us loves Christ this perfectly, or lives so consistently. But to be a follower of Jesus, to be a true Christian, means that these four ways of dealing with "everything" will be the settled, joyful, defining resolve of our lives.

This is what we will mean when we say with Paul, "I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord."

Announcements

Our annual Thanksgiving Potluck will be held on Sunday, November 22nd at 5PM. This is a great opportunity to invite a non-Christian to attend. The church will provide plates, bowls, utensils, and several turkeys. Each person should bring a food dish to share.

There will be a Christmas Market on Saturday, December 12th. VEF will have a choir that will sing Christmas carols at this event. If you would be like to join the choir please contact Grace Chang or Peter Park.

VEF will have a Junior Choir (children/youth) on December 22nd. There will be 2 practices – December 12th and 19th from 8:00-9:30am. Please contact Dora or Jessie Lin if you are interested in joining.

Join us on LINE or FB to get regular updates regarding VEF.



VEF needs a person or group of people who are willing to help lead the youth group on Friday nights. If you would like more information please talk with Linus or Pastor John.

Looking ahead

November 22 – Thanksgiving Potluck (5PM)

December 12 – Christmas Market

December 24 – Candlelight Service (7:30PM)

Last Sunday's (11/1)

- Morning worship attendance – 109
- Afternoon worship attendance – 57
- Children's Sunday school attendance – 35

How to pay tithes by Wire Transfer You can transfer your offerings to Victory's Postal account, the bank code is 700, follow by the account number - 0061021 0478485. Contact Pastor John at vefpastor@gmail.com or Yu-Hwa at yhwang217@yahoo.com.tw. Please make sure to contact one of them to make sure the money goes into the VEF account and transfer was properly made.

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