# Remember What God Has Done

**6:30-7:15 PM Bible study** 7:20-7:30 PM Report back to the sanctuary for dismissal

**6:30-6:35 / OPENING PRAYER**

Thank God for His mercy. Ask Him to bring to mind ways He has cared for you.

**6:35-6:40 / TOPIC**

**The Power of Thanksgiving** What small mercy carried you through a demanding day?

**6:40-6:55 / STUDY**

## Foundational passage

**Read aloud from the KJV** Psalm 103:1-5

**Key verse (KJV)** “Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits:” Psalm 103:2

### Biblical background

David calls his own soul to bless the LORD. Psalm 103:3-5 lists forgiveness, healing, redemption, lovingkindness, tender mercies, and renewal. The psalm closes by calling all God's works to praise Him.

### Inspiration

When the demands of today crowd your mind, name one mercy God has already shown you.

### Kingdom revelation

The God whose throne rules over all (verse 19) is the same God whose mercies David remembers. Thanksgiving is a response to both His authority and His care.

### Apply the Word

Name a mercy you received during a demanding week.

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# Remember What God Has Done

## 6:40-6:55 / STUDY CONTINUED

**Six Kingdom teaching points** Read each reference from the KJV.

1. **Psalm 103:1-5** Name the benefits David tells his soul to remember.
**Apply it** Name a mercy you received during a demanding week.

2. **Psalm 100:4-5** Enter God's presence with thanks because He is good.
**Apply it** Begin your quiet time by thanking God for His goodness.

3. **Deuteronomy 8:17-18** Remember who gives the power to get wealth.
**Apply it** Acknowledge God's provision when a long effort finally pays off.

4. **Psalm 136:1** Give thanks for God's enduring mercy.
**Apply it** Let God's enduring mercy shape how you respond to a mistake.

5. **Colossians 3:15** Let Christ's peace and thankfulness shape life together.
**Apply it** Bring peace to a strained conversation by naming something you appreciate.

6. **1 Thessalonians 5:18** Practice thanksgiving in every circumstance.
**Apply it** Pair a real concern in prayer with one specific thanksgiving.

**Kingdom point** Remembering God's mercy gives us a reason to praise Him today.

**Teach it** David names God's benefits. Making space to remember His care can renew gratitude in seasons when giving care takes much of your energy.

## 6:55-7:15 / DISCUSSION AND RESPONSE

**1. In the passage** What does David tell his soul to do? Which benefit from the passage stands out?

**2. In your life** Which of God's benefits do you tend to overlook when others need you? How could you make time to remember it?

**3. Put it into practice** Write three specific mercies and share one with a woman who could use encouragement. Who can help you follow through?

# Go Back and Give Thanks

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Thank Jesus for hearing prayer. Ask Him to help the group give God glory.

**6:35-6:40 / TOPIC**

**The Power of Thanksgiving** When have you felt rushed past a moment worth celebrating?

**6:40-6:55 / STUDY**

## Foundational passage

**Read aloud from the KJV** Luke 17:11-19

**Key verse (KJV)** “And one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, and with a loud voice glorified God,” Luke 17:15

### Biblical background

As Jesus travels toward Jerusalem, ten men with leprosy stand afar off and cry for mercy. Jesus sends them to the priests and they are cleansed on the way. One, a Samaritan, returns and thanks Jesus at His feet.

### Inspiration

You can pause in the middle of an ordinary day to thank Jesus for a specific mercy.

### Kingdom revelation

Jesus connects the man's return with giving glory to God. Thanksgiving brings the man back to the feet of the One who showed him mercy.

### Apply the Word

Tell Jesus what His answer meant before moving to your next obligation.

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# Go Back and Give Thanks

## 6:40-6:55 / STUDY CONTINUED

**Six Kingdom teaching points** Read each reference from the KJV.

1. **Luke 17:11-19** Trace the Samaritan's response from healing to worship.
**Apply it** Tell Jesus what His answer meant before moving to your next obligation.

2. **Psalm 107:1-2** Let those the Lord has redeemed speak up.
**Apply it** Share a testimony with someone who feels alone in a similar season.

3. **Psalm 116:12-14** Consider how the psalmist responds to God's benefits.
**Apply it** Set aside time to thank God with someone who prayed for you.

4. **Hebrews 13:15** Offer praise to God through Jesus.
**Apply it** Turn a routine task into an occasion to praise Jesus.

5. **Colossians 3:17** Give thanks to the Father through Jesus in word and deed.
**Apply it** Let gratitude shape the way you speak about someone who helped you.

6. **Psalm 9:1** Tell others what the Lord has done.
**Apply it** Record a specific answer to prayer so you can remember it later.

**Kingdom point** Gratitude turns our attention back to Jesus and gives God glory.

**Teach it** The healed Samaritan turns back to worship. Leave room to acknowledge Jesus and share what He has done with someone who prayed with you.

## 6:55-7:15 / DISCUSSION AND RESPONSE

**1. In the passage** What does the healed man do when he realizes what happened? What does that show about gratitude?

**2. In your life** What blessing have you moved past quickly? What would it look like to pause and thank Jesus for it this week?

**3. Put it into practice** Contact one person who prayed for you and thank God together for one answer. Who can help you follow through?

# Keep Your Eyes on Jesus

**6:30-7:15 PM Bible study** 7:20-7:30 PM Report back to the sanctuary for dismissal

**6:30-6:35 / OPENING PRAYER**

Ask Jesus to show the group what to lay aside and give them strength to endure.

**6:35-6:40 / TOPIC**

**Finishing Strong** What has taken more of your energy than you expected this year?

**6:40-6:55 / STUDY**

## Foundational passage

**Read aloud from the KJV** Hebrews 12:1-3

**Key verse (KJV)** “Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith;” Hebrews 12:2 (excerpt)

### Biblical background

Hebrews 12 follows the examples of faith in chapter 11. The writer pictures a race that requires patience and calls believers to lay aside every weight and the sin that besets them. Jesus endured the cross and sat down at God's right hand.

### Inspiration

When you feel weary, consider Jesus and take one faithful step today.

### Kingdom revelation

The joy set before Jesus helps explain His endurance. The writer calls believers to look to Him so they can face their own weariness with hope.

### Apply the Word

Name one burden you can set down or share with someone trustworthy.

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# Keep Your Eyes on Jesus

## 6:40-6:55 / STUDY CONTINUED

**Six Kingdom teaching points** Read each reference from the KJV.

1. **Hebrews 12:1-3** Notice the weight to lay aside and the One to look to.
**Apply it** Name one burden you can set down or share with someone trustworthy.

2. **Philippians 3:13-14** Press toward the mark of God's calling in Christ.
**Apply it** Choose one next step in the work God has placed before you.

3. **Galatians 6:9** Keep doing good when the fruit takes time.
**Apply it** Keep encouraging someone whose growth has been slow.

4. **Matthew 6:33** Put God's Kingdom and righteousness first.
**Apply it** Give a Kingdom priority a place in your schedule before other demands fill it.

5. **John 15:4-5** Depend on Jesus to bear fruit.
**Apply it** Take an honest need to Jesus before you try to meet every demand.

6. **James 1:12** Endure temptation with the promised crown of life in view.
**Apply it** Name a pressure that makes compromise tempting and prepare your response.

**Kingdom point** Jesus gives us a reason to endure. Following Him can mean laying aside things that slow us down.

**Teach it** Jesus endured with joy set before Him. Let His example guide which responsibility to keep and which weight to set down.

## 6:55-7:15 / DISCUSSION AND RESPONSE

**1. In the passage** What does Hebrews say to lay aside? Who are we told to look to?

**2. In your life** Which expectation makes it hard to run your own race? What would looking to Jesus change about your next step?

**3. Put it into practice** Name a next step in a commitment that matters and ask someone for practical support. Who can help you follow through?

# Keep the Faith

**6:30-7:15 PM Bible study** 7:20-7:30 PM Report back to the sanctuary for dismissal

**6:30-6:35 / OPENING PRAYER**

Ask God for strength to keep the faith and finish the work He has given each person.

**6:35-6:40 / TOPIC**

**Finishing Strong** What act of service would be easy for others to miss?

**6:40-6:55 / STUDY**

## Foundational passage

**Read aloud from the KJV** 2 Timothy 4:6-8

**Key verse (KJV)** “I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith:” 2 Timothy 4:7

### Biblical background

Paul has just charged Timothy to preach the word and fulfil his ministry. With his departure near, Paul speaks of a fight fought, a course finished, and faith kept. He looks ahead to a crown from the Lord, the righteous Judge.

### Inspiration

Christ sees the faithful service that people may overlook.

### Kingdom revelation

Paul measures his finish by faithfulness to Christ. The promise of the crown extends to all who love the Lord's appearing.

### Apply the Word

Recognize one quiet act of faithfulness from this year.

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# Keep the Faith

## 6:40-6:55 / STUDY CONTINUED

**Six Kingdom teaching points** Read each reference from the KJV.

1. **2 Timothy 4:6-8** Hear how Paul describes finishing his course.
**Apply it** Recognize one quiet act of faithfulness from this year.

2. **Acts 20:24** Notice the ministry Paul wanted to complete.
**Apply it** Identify a way to serve that reflects the grace you have received.

3. **1 Corinthians 15:58** Stand firm because labor in the Lord matters.
**Apply it** Encourage someone whose steady service is easy to overlook.

4. **Colossians 3:23-24** Work heartily as someone serving Christ.
**Apply it** Do one ordinary task today as an offering of service to Christ.

5. **Luke 16:10** Practice faithfulness in small responsibilities.
**Apply it** Follow through on a small commitment you made to someone.

6. **Matthew 25:21** Hear the master's response to a faithful servant.
**Apply it** Name one gift you can use more consistently in service.

**Kingdom point** Paul measures his finish by faithfulness to Christ. The Lord is the one who judges and rewards.

**Teach it** Paul looks to the righteous Judge. Christ sees steady work done for Him, even when its results or rewards are delayed.

## 6:55-7:15 / DISCUSSION AND RESPONSE

**1. In the passage** Which words does Paul use to describe his finish? Which one stands out to you?

**2. In your life** Where have you kept serving faithfully with little recognition? What encouragement do you draw from Paul's words?

**3. Put it into practice** Encourage one woman whose faithful service you have noticed and finish one act of service you began. Who can help you follow through?

# Say Yes to the King

**6:30-7:15 PM Bible study** 7:20-7:30 PM Report back to the sanctuary for dismissal

**6:30-6:35 / OPENING PRAYER**

Thank God for sending King Jesus. Ask Him for hearts willing to obey His Word.

**6:35-6:40 / TOPIC**

**The Birth of Jesus Christ** How do you respond when your plans change suddenly?

**6:40-6:55 / STUDY**

## Foundational passage

**Read aloud from the KJV** Luke 1:26-38

**Key verse (KJV)** “And he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there shall be no end.” Luke 1:33

### Biblical background

Gabriel visits Mary in Nazareth and announces that she will bear Jesus. He promises that Jesus will receive David's throne and reign forever. Mary asks how this will happen, hears that the Holy Ghost will come upon her, and yields to the Lord's word.

### Inspiration

Bring your honest questions to God and take a faithful step with what His Word has made clear.

### Kingdom revelation

Jesus' Kingdom has no end. Mary's response shows what willing obedience looks like when God announces His purposes.

### Apply the Word

Bring an honest question to God and identify an instruction you can act on.

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# Say Yes to the King

## 6:40-6:55 / STUDY CONTINUED

**Six Kingdom teaching points** Read each reference from the KJV.

1. **Luke 1:26-38** Listen to what Gabriel says about Jesus and how Mary responds.
**Apply it** Bring an honest question to God and identify an instruction you can act on.
2. **Isaiah 9:6-7** Notice the promised child's government and peace.
**Apply it** Let the Prince of Peace shape how you handle a difficult conversation.
3. **Matthew 1:18-25** Watch Joseph obey and learn why the child is named Jesus.
**Apply it** Honor someone's dignity when you learn sensitive news.
4. **Micah 5:2** Identify the town from which the promised ruler comes.
**Apply it** Notice where God may be working through a small or overlooked place.
5. **Galatians 4:4-5** See why God sent His Son in the fulness of time.
**Apply it** Rest in the welcome God gives you as His child through Christ.
6. **Luke 1:46-49** Hear Mary magnify God for what He has done.
**Apply it** Name one thing the Lord has done for you and turn it into praise.

**Kingdom point** God promised an everlasting King. Mary received His word with willing obedience.

**Teach it** Mary asks a question, receives God's answer, and yields to His word. Give the group room to name both questions and faithful next steps.

## 6:55-7:15 / DISCUSSION AND RESPONSE

**1. In the passage** What does Gabriel promise about Jesus? How does Mary respond?

**2. In your life** What do you notice about Mary's question and her response? How can you bring an honest question to God and still obey His Word?

**3. Put it into practice** Write a short prayer that names one question and one way you can obey Scripture this week. Who can help you follow through?

# Good Tidings for All People

**6:30-7:15 PM Bible study** 7:20-7:30 PM Report back to the sanctuary for dismissal

**6:30-6:35 / OPENING PRAYER**

Praise God for sending the Saviour. Ask for courage to share the good news.

**6:35-6:40 / TOPIC**

**The Birth of Jesus Christ** What part of the Christmas account do you want to slow down and consider?

**6:40-6:55 / STUDY**

## Foundational passage

**Read aloud from the KJV** Luke 2:8-20

**Key verse (KJV)** “For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.” Luke 2:11

### Biblical background

Shepherds keeping watch at night hear the angel announce the Saviour's birth in David's city. The heavenly host praises God. The shepherds find Jesus in the manger, tell others what they heard, and return glorifying God. Mary ponders these things.

### Inspiration

The shepherds shared what they heard and saw. You can tell the good news of Jesus in words people understand.

### Kingdom revelation

The angel calls Jesus Saviour, Christ, and Lord and announces good tidings for all people. The news leads the shepherds to both witness and worship.

### Apply the Word

Share the angel's message with someone who needs hope this season.

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# Good Tidings for All People

### 6:40-6:55 / STUDY CONTINUED

**Six Kingdom teaching points** Read each reference from the KJV.

1. **Luke 2:8-20** Follow the shepherds as they hear, go, tell, and praise.
**Apply it** Share the angel's message with someone who needs hope this season.

2. **Luke 2:1-7** Notice where Mary laid Jesus after His birth.
**Apply it** Slow down to notice one detail about how Jesus entered the world.

3. **Matthew 2:1-2** Hear why the wise men came looking for the King.
**Apply it** Think about what seeking Jesus can look like amid holiday demands.

4. **Matthew 2:10-11** Notice how the wise men honor Jesus.
**Apply it** Offer an act of worship or generosity with your attention on Christ.

5. **John 1:14** See how the Word came to dwell among us.
**Apply it** Make time to be present with someone who needs company.

6. **Luke 2:29-32** Listen to Simeon describe God's salvation as light for the Gentiles.
**Apply it** Invite someone outside your usual circle into a Christmas conversation.

**Kingdom point** The birth of Jesus is good news for all people. The shepherds heard it, shared it, and glorified God.

**Teach it** Mary ponders what she hears while the shepherds spread the news. Reflection can give depth to the hope you share.

### 6:55-7:15 / DISCUSSION AND RESPONSE

**1. In the passage** What did the shepherds do after they saw Jesus? What news did they share?

**2. In your life** The shepherds shared the news and Mary pondered it. Which response do you need to make time for this Christmas?

**3. Put it into practice** Read Luke 2:10-11 with someone and share the phrase that gives you hope. Who can help you follow through?