



Forget 2020?

What God Wants in 2021 (Psalm 1) - Forget 2020? - January 23-24, 2021 STUDY NOTES || SPEAKING PASTOR TIM HOWEY

You did not choose Me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit, and *that* your fruit should remain, that whatever you ask the Father in My name He may give you. **John 15:16 NKJV**

In 2021, God wants us to bear fruit for Him

The godly will bear fruit for God - (Psalm 1:1-3)

Blessed *is* the man Who walks not in the counsel of the ungodly, Nor stands in the path of sinners, Nor sits in the seat of the scornful; **Psalm 1:1 NKJV**

But his delight *is* in the law of the Lord, And in His law he meditates day and night. **Psalm 1:2 NKJV**

The law of Your mouth *is* better to me Than thousands of *coins of* gold and silver. **Psalm 119:72 NKJV**

Do not let them depart from your eyes; Keep them in the midst of your heart; **Proverbs 4:21 NKJV**

He shall be like a tree Planted by the rivers of water, That brings forth its fruit in its season, Whose leaf also shall not wither; And whatever he does shall prosper. **Psalm 1:3 NKJV**

The ungodly will be blown away by God - (Psalm 1:4-6)

The ungodly *are* not so, But *are* like the chaff which the wind drives away. **Psalm 1:4 NKJV**

Therefore the ungodly shall not stand in the judgment, Nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous. **Psalm 1:5 NKJV**

For the Lord knows the way of the righteous, But the way of the ungodly shall perish. **Psalms 1:6 NKJV**

The “fruit” of God transforming your character

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law. **Galatians 5:22-23 NKJV**

The “fruit” of pausing to praise God

Therefore by Him let us continually offer the sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of *our* lips, giving thanks to His name. **Hebrews 13:15 NKJV**

The “fruit” of giving financially to God

For even in Thessalonica you sent *aid* once and again for my necessities. Not that I seek the gift, but I seek the fruit that abounds to your account. **Philippians 4:16-17 NKJV**

The “fruit” of making disciples for God

Now I do not want you to be unaware, brethren, that I often planned to come to you (but was hindered until now), that I might have some fruit among you also, just as among the other Gentiles. **Romans 1:13 NKJV**

NURSERY

JESUS IS OUR FRIEND

MIRACLES OF JESUS



This month we will learn that Jesus was a friend to Jairus' daughter, Jesus helps us when we're sick, discover that Jesus is our friend, learn how to be friends with others, and thank Jesus for being our friend. Check out our virtual nursery classroom for fun activities, coordinating Bible story videos, and lots of music that coordinates with each week's lessons.

Memory Verse: Jesus is our friend. John 15:15 (adapted for toddlers)

Heart of the Lesson: We can thank Jesus for being our friend

Parent Engagement: Find a simple job for your toddler to do at dinner time (pass out dinner rolls, put forks on the table, etc). Remind your toddler that it makes our friend Jesus happy when we are outward-focused and help other people.

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JESUS GROWS UP AND EARLY MINISTRY



This month our kids will see how Jesus went from a baby, to a tween with a purpose to a grown man who obeyed God in baptism and then started His ministry. Jesus is God and He is also man. He knows our pains, disappointments, temptations as well as our excitement, joys and relationships.

Memory Verse: "And Jesus grew in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and all the people." Luke 2:52 NLT

Heart of the Lesson: Do What God Says - Temptation of Jesus - Matthew 4

Parent Engagement: Play Simon Says as a family. Then, talk about some of the things God says to do. Are you good at obeying?

ELEMENTARY

THE GOOD, THE BAD AND THE CONFUSING



In this series, we are going to be talking about all things 2020 including good, the bad and the confusing. With the ups and downs of feelings and circumstances what can we hold onto? What is our hope found in? Join us as we discover the only unshakable thing in this world!

Memory Verse: He alone is my rock and my salvation, my fortress where I will never be shaken." Psalm 62:2

Heart of the Lesson: Worship: We can pray for our future and have hope knowing God is in control - Psalms 1, 67

Parent Engagement: Psalm 1 says trees planted by the river bear fruit. How can your family "be planted" in God's Word together in 2021? What daily practice could you start to help each other?

This series, we're studying the Ten Commandments and learning how each one helps us follow God!

Memory Verse: "If you love me, obey my commands." John 14:15

Heart of the Lesson: 5: Obey Your Parents, Ephesians 6:1, Exodus 20:12, Luke 2:51-52

Caregiver Engagement: We obey not because we fear punishment but because we love. Who remembers the Monthly Memory Verse? God is our heavenly Father. Talk about how practicing obeying our earthly parents helps us to know how to obey our heavenly Father too. Talk about a time you were punished for not obeying. Talk about a time you were rewarded for obeying.

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FORGET 2020

In this series, we will be reflecting on how God has been faithful throughout the ups and downs that 2020 had for us. We will journey through the Psalms, looking forward to 2021 with expectancy, and remembering that God remains the center of it all.

Memory Verse: "He alone is my rock and my salvation, my fortress where I will not be shaken." Psalm 62:6

Heart of the Lesson: What God Wants to do in 2021 - Psalm 1

Caregiver Engagement: What spiritual fruit is produced as a result of having roots in God? What practices need to change in your daily lives to grow stronger roots in God?