

Sunday, May 2, 2021

Title: Guide Posts Along “the WAY:

Series: God Still Guides .. 3

Text: John 14:1 - 7 and Acts 9:1 - 6

Purpose: I want to PERSUADE my congregation that in our relationship and walk with Jesus, He consistently provides us with guide posts for our journey on “the WAY!”

1 Timothy 4:13, “*Until I come, devote yourself to the public reading of Scripture, to exhortation, to teaching.*”

Introduction:

Review of last Sunday’s devotional:

Elements to Receiving Guidance

1. Guidance DENIED, Psalm 66:16 - 20
2. Guidance to the TRULY SINCERE, Jeremiah 29:13
3. Guidance to Those Who OBEY, Matthew 7:24
4. Guidance to Those of UNWAVERING FAITH, James 1:5 - 8

Illustrations of Guide Posts:

~ Our move to Port McNeill and the mile posts on the Woss Camp road!

~ Our trip to Morrow Bay and Disney Land

~ Read: John 14:1 – 7 and Acts 9:1 - 6; Acts 22:6 – 11; Acts 26:12 – 18

~ Key element to receiving guidance from the Lord is a soul open to correction and responding with true repentance. To keep us on “the WAY” we are supplied with guide posts to successfully navigate the journey.

1. Guide Post Marked LOVE:

~ Those of “the WAY” are to be known by – John 13:34 - 35, “*A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. (35) By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.*”

Compare 1 John 3:11, 14, 18, 24; 4:7, 4:8, 4:11, 4:12, 4:16 4:19 - 21

~ 1 John 2:9, “*Whoever says he is in the light and hates his brother is still in darkness.*”

~ Galatians 5:22 – 23, “*But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, (23) gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law.*”

2. Guide Post Marked SERVICE:

~ Mark 9:34 – 35, “*But they kept silent, for on the way they had argued with one another about who was the greatest. (35) And he sat down and called the twelve. And he said to them, “If anyone would be first, he must be last of all and servant of all.”*”

~ Matthew 20:25 – 28, “*But Jesus called them to him and said, “You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them. (26) It shall not be so among you. But whoever would be great among you must be your servant, (27) and whoever would be first among you must be your slave, (28) even as the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.”*”

3. Guide Post Marked PERSONAL GROWTH:

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~ 2 Timothy 2:15 - 21

Vs. 15, command to study

Vs. 19, God’s firm foundation and His command

Vs. 21, God’s command and promise

4. Guide Post Marked INVESTMENT:

~ Matthew 28:18 – 20, “*And Jesus came and said to them, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. (19) Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, (20) teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”*”

~ 2 Timothy 2:1 – 2, “*You then my child, be strengthened by the grace that is in Christ Jesus, (2) and what you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses entrust to faithful men, who will be able to teach others also.”*”

~ Philippians 1:21 – 26 Paul expresses his desire to invest in the saints at Philippi!

Conclusion:

As I walk the walk on the WAY, I confess, that I walk by FAITH and not by sight! I know my final destination is assured and that as the Captain of my salvation YOU know the way and that YOU faithfully supply me with GUIDE POSTS to help me to walk by YOUR SIDE!

Closing Song: Power of Your Love