



John 15:13

“Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one’s life for one’s friends.” NIV

I’ve told this story before, I’ll probably tell it again. But there’s an old story that makes its way around the addiction recovery community. It tells of a man whose fallen into a hole, and a doctor, a pastor, and a philosopher who “come to his aid.” The doctor prescribes a medicine for the pain he’s experiencing, and then goes home. The pastor prays for him, and then goes home. The philosopher asks him how he’s come to be in the hole, but after awhile, he goes home too. None of them actually help the man out of the hole. The next day, another man comes by and jumps down into the hole with him. But the first man complains “Great! Now we’re both stuck in here...” The second man says: “That’s okay, I’ve been here before and I know how to get out.” The idea behind the story is that those who’ve experienced freedom have a responsibility to free others. We’ll talk about this concept this Memorial Day weekend, and apply it to our experience with sin. As we are grateful to the men and women who gave their lives so that we can enjoy freedom, we also are grateful to Christ for forgiving us for our sins and making freedom from them possible. He asks in return that we be his ambassadors and let others know they can take advantage of his gift, too!

Sermon in a Sentence

I _____ because someone else _____ in my _____.

Today’s Scripture

Lamentations 3:22-23

John 15:9-14

Romans 5:7-8

Galatians 5:1

1 Corinthians 15:54-57

John 3:16-18

Something Worth Noting

“The sacrifice of Jesus _____
_____.”

It’s all Greek to Me!

“splachnizomai” - an overwhelming
urge to act

“hamartolon” - actively devoted to sin

Three Weekly Challenges

1. Love _____
2. Love _____
3. Love _____



Weekly Prayer Requests

Lawrence Johnson**	Harold Gordon*	Earl Whipple*
Jason Woods**	Savannah Higgs**	Diane Burks
Sam Clark **	Ron Scott	Jeni Friend
Donna Parrett**	Jane Gasser	Pat Summan
Mona Nichols & Family	Stacy Smith Borick (Diane Burks' daughter)	

* Names will stay on the current list for three weeks. Please inform the office if you wish for a name to remain on this list or be transferred to the long-term list. Names marked with ** will be moved to the long-term prayer list the following week. The long-term prayer list is located in the foyer.



Vitals for May 17

Weekly Need: \$3,200
 Actual Given: \$3513
 Sunday School - 20
 Morning Service -63

5th Sunday Breakfast

Join us
May 31st 9:15 - 10:15 am
 Bring your favorite breakfast dish to share.

3 easy ways to give:

- 'Tithes & Offerings' box in the lobby
- newheightsconnersville.com/giving
- Mail to the church office

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WE ARE ON A SUMMER BREAK, BUT BE ON THE LOOK OUT FOR SOME SPECIAL SUMMER EVENTS!

HAPPY Graduation

ROSE KINS
 ELEVATE STUDENT MINISTRY

YOU'RE INVITED TO AN OPEN HOUSE:
 JUNE 20, 2026 FROM 2:00 - 6:00PM
 NEW HEIGHTS CHRISTIAN CHURCH
 2752 W. STATE ROAD 44
 CONNERSVILLE, IN 47331

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What's Happening



5/31 - 5th Sunday Breakfast



- 6/6 - Mentorship Meeting - 8:00 am
- 6/7 - Gradation Sunday
- 6/14 - Elevate 2 - 6th - 8th grade camp week
- 6/17- NHCC Serving @ The Haven - 5:30- 6 pm (Sign-up sheet in the foyer.)
- 6/20 - Graduation Party for Emma Jennings

Mahoning Valley Christian Service Camp: Registration is OPEN!

See Zach or Carol for the
 New Heights Registration Code



A daily rhythm to draw closer to God.

Explore the scriptures from this week's sermon and turn them into heartfelt personal prayers.



Monday Gratitude & Praise

Read & Reflect: Lamentations 3:22-26

Because of the Lord's great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail. They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. I say to myself, "The Lord is my portion; therefore I will wait for him." The Lord is good to those whose hope is in him, to the one who seeks him; it is good to wait quietly for the salvation of the Lord. NIV

Today's Prayer Points:

- Thank God for blessings big and small.
- Praise Him for His love, mercy, and faithfulness.
- Recall moments where you saw His hand at work.



Tuesday Personal Growth

Read & Reflect: John 15:9-13

"As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Now remain in my love. If you keep my commands, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commands and remain in his love. I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete. My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you. Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends." NIV

Today's Prayer Points:

- Pray for wisdom, patience, and strength.
- Ask for help in overcoming struggles.
- Invite God to shape your thoughts, words, and actions.



Wednesday Family & Friends

Read & Reflect: John 15:14

"You are my friends if you do what I command." NIV

Today's Prayer Points:

- Pray for loved ones by name.
- Ask for unity, understanding, and love in relationships.
- Lift up those distant from faith or in hardship.



Sunday Worship & Renewal

- Dedicate the day to worship and rest.
- Pray for your church and fellow believers.
- Ask for joy and purpose for the week ahead.

Thursday

Community & Nation



Read & Reflect: Romans 5:7-8

Very rarely will anyone die for a righteous person, though for a good person someone might possibly dare to die. But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. NIV

Today's Prayer Points:

- Pray for local leaders, schools, and neighborhoods.
- Ask for justice, peace, and compassion.
- Remember those in positions of authority.

Friday

The World



Read & Reflect: Galatians 5:1

It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Stand firm, then, and do not let yourselves be burdened again by a yoke of slavery. NIV

Today's Prayer Points:

- Pray for global issues: poverty, conflict, disasters.
- Lift up missionaries and humanitarian workers.
- Ask for God's light to shine in dark places.

Saturday

Reflection & Repentance



Read & Reflect: 1 Corinthians 15:54-57

When the perishable has been clothed with the imperishable, and the mortal with immortality, then the saying that is written will come true: "Death has been swallowed up in victory." "Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?" The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. NIV

Today's Prayer Points:

- Examine your heart and confess sins.
- Ask for renewal and a clean spirit.
- Reflect on lessons learned this week.

Zach's Three Weekly Challenges

Love

Sermon in a Sentence

"I LIVE TODAY because someone else DIED in my PLACE."

Challenge #1

Love SACRIFICIALLY

Challenge #2

Love COMPASSIONATELY -

Splachnizomai: It literally means moved with compassion, or that feeling that you get when you're so affected by something you see that you just have to do something.

Challenge #3

Love FREELY - and illustrate what it means to love others

Prayer Request

&

Answered Prayers
