

## John 17:13-26

JESUS SPEAKING: [Father], I am coming to you, and these things I speak in the world, that they may have my joy fulfilled in themselves. <sup>14</sup> I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. <sup>15</sup> I do not ask that you take them out of the world, but that you keep them from the evil one. <sup>16</sup> They are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. <sup>17</sup> Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. <sup>18</sup> As you sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. <sup>19</sup> And for their sake I consecrate myself, that they also may be sanctified in truth.

<sup>20</sup> "I do not ask for these only, but also for those who will believe in me through their word, <sup>21</sup> that they may all be one, just as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. <sup>22</sup> The glory that you have given me I have given to them, that they may be one even as we are one, <sup>23</sup> I in them and you in me, that they may become perfectly one, so that the world may know that you sent me and loved them even as you loved me. <sup>24</sup> Father, I desire that they also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory that you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world. <sup>25</sup> O righteous Father, even though the world does not know you, I know you, and these know that you have sent me. <sup>26</sup> I made known to them your name, and I will continue to make it known, that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them."

**Today: September 11, 2022**

Worship in Reading and Song:

- Reading: John 17:13-26
- Responsive Reading: Purposeful Gathering
- His Mercy is More
- Show us Christ

Teaching of the WORD:

**Core Values: Redemptive Community. Eph 4:1-16**

Worship through Giving

- Let the Nations Be Glad
- Doxology

### **Upcoming Events:**

**THE WORKSHOP:** Open to all men who want to learn and grow in what it means to serve the church. This is an ongoing study that will meet the FIRST Sunday morning of every month at 7:30 a.m. Meeting location is at Robb Besosa's woodshop located at 460 Salt Creek Road.

**Upcoming Series:** Core Values

Sept 18, Core Values and The Shepherds 1 Peter 5:1-5

Sept 25, Core Values and the Church Eph 4, Heb 13

Entrust

October 2; Entrust, 2 Timothy

October 9; Entrust 2 Timothy

**October 1<sup>st</sup> – Nov 6<sup>th</sup>:** The 4H Board has to allow a voting station to be established at our regular meeting location. That means we are needing to secure alternate meeting locations:

- The Season's lodge October 2, 16, 23, and Nov 6.
- Main Pavilion at Yellowwood on October 9<sup>th</sup>
- To be Determined; Oct 30<sup>th</sup>

**Live Streaming:** Our previous Zoom link has been canceled. If you cannot attend in person, you can now join us live by clicking the button on our home page at [vineandbranch.family](http://vineandbranch.family).

## Core Values: Redemptive Community

Ephesians 4:1-16

Vine & Branch Community Church

September 11, 2022

**The Gospel brings us together in Redemptive Community with God; Eph 2:1-7**

**The Gospel brings us together in Redemptive Community with each other; Eph 2:13-22**

Paul anchors the Ephesians **Redemptive Community** *in* the **Supremacy of Jesus Christ**

Paul Prays to this end (In 3:14); *“That according to the riches of his glory he may grant you to be strengthened with power through His spirit in your inner being...”* (17) *“So that **Christ may dwell in your [pl.] hearts** through faith...”* so the Lord may receive, (21) *“To him be **glory in the church** and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations for ever and ever.”*

(4:1) *“Walk Worthy.”* = “Equal weight” - Christians should walk in balance with their **love for Christ on one hand** and their **love for other believers in the other.** = Redemptive Community.

- *Balance point 1 (v. 2, 3)*
- *Balance Point 2 (v. 4-6)*

To accomplish this life of balance Christ gifted his church (4:7). *“But **grace was given to each one of us according to the measure of Christ’s gift.**”*

When this gift exchange happens, the church grows.

- Christ *gave* = **Supremacy of Christ**
- Apostle, prophets, evangelists, shepherds and teachers *give* = **Minister the Word of Christ**
- Equipping the saints for the work of ministry, Church *gives* = **Redemptive Community**

We are God’s people, focusing on the **Supremacy of Jesus**, knowing him through **his Word**, experiencing His Love, applying His love to our relationships so that others might know Him, **this is Redemptive Community!**

*“So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are **fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God,** <sup>20</sup> built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets [word], Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone [Supremacy], <sup>21</sup> in whom the whole structure, **being joined together,** grows into a holy temple in the Lord. <sup>22</sup> **In him you also are being built together into a dwelling place for God by the Spirit.**” = Redemptive Community*

Core Values	Expression of our Values
Supremacy of Jesus Christ	Living out Generous Grace
Authority of the Word	Harmony in the Absolutes
Redemptive Community	Intentionally Making Disciples

Application:

1. Our Core Values give direction to what we do when we come together as a community
2. Keep the main one the main thing

3. Renew your Commitment or Formally commit yourself to pursuing our Core Values together with the V&B community