

THE FAMILY CHURCH MESSAGE NOTES

Title: Loyalty

Subtitle: The Deadly Trap

Speaker: Pastor Dawn Winsley

Scripture: Genesis 16:1-2 AMPC

Date: November 18, 2020



Genesis 16:1-2 (AMPC)

Now Sarai, Abram's wife, had borne him no children. She had an Egyptian maid whose name was Hagar. ² And Sarai said to Abram, See here, the Lord has restrained me from bearing [children]. I am asking you to have intercourse with my maid; it may be that I can obtain children by her. And Abram listened to *and* heeded what Sarai said.

Introduction

When we think of the word "Loyalty", we tend to think of something that is ride or die, or down for whatever, or not going anywhere no matter WHAT! However, that may sound good if it relates to your family, friends, job, even your church. However, there are many effects to our loyalty being tied to the wrong thing. Loyalty is a strong feeling of support or allegiance. When we begin to look at what our loyalty is rooted in, we will understand why we act a certain way, love a certain way, and even are controlled a certain way. Tonight we are going to understand what loyalty is and what we may be loyal to.

3 Manifestations of loyalty:

1. Loyalty will make you listen to another _____.
2. Loyalty will cause you not to think _____.
3. Loyalty will make you _____ down.

Effects of unhealthy loyalty

Numbers 11:4 (NIV)

⁴ The rabble (disorderly crowd) with them began to crave other food, and again the Israelites started wailing and said, "If only we had meat to eat!

1. Loyalty causes a _____ that will _____ what God is trying to deliver you from.

Numbers 11:5 (NIV)

⁵ We remember the fish we ate in Egypt at no cost—also the cucumbers, melons, leeks, onions and garlic.

2. Loyalty will make you remember what is _____ and _____ you back at no cost.

Numbers 11:6 (NIV)

⁶ But now we have lost our appetite; we never see anything but this manna!

3. Loyalty will make you lose your appetite, and what is supposed to be _____ for you will seem _____. You will also criticize or become judgmental.

Trap of unhealthy loyalty

Spiritual Trap - Demonic devices designed to grab a hold of, catch or call forth insecurities. There is always an entry way never an exit.

Insecurity - Sense of vulnerability or instability which threatens one's self-image due to a need to go within for safety and security.

The Trap is set

1. _____ of rejection
2. Doubt sets in
3. Condemnation
4. Death or forfeit of purpose
5. _____

The "_____" to escaping the deadly trap is _____!

Psalms 25:15 (AMPC)

¹⁵ My eyes are ever toward the Lord, for He will pluck my feet out of the net.

Romans 13:8 (AMPC)

⁸ Keep out of debt *and* owe no man anything, except to love one another; for he who loves his neighbor [who practices loving others] has fulfilled the Law [relating to one's fellowmen, meeting all its requirements].

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- PLEASE NOTE, THERE WILL BE NO MIDWEEK SERVICE ON THE FOLLOWING WEDNESDAYS: NOVEMBER 25TH, DECEMBER 23RD, AND DECEMBER 30TH.
- ***We are excited to announce our “HOLIDAY FOOD DRIVE” Now through Christmas. TFC would like to be a blessing by feeding families in need for the upcoming holidays. Please help us by donating can goods and non-perishable food items. You can bring your donated items to a Sunday or Wednesday service, and place in the boxes at the Welcome Center. Monetary donations are accepted thru Church Center App “Food Bank” or www.thefamilychurchnj.com.
- **The Pointman Men’s Ministry is looking for men to participate in “No Shave November”. This is an event to bring awareness of men’s health. Men are asked to refrain from shaving or cutting their mustache or beards for the entire month of November and donate the money they would have spent on haircuts, shape ups, and facial grooming products to:
<https://no-shave.org/member/TFCPointman>. Donations can be made at any time whether you participate in “No Shave November” or not.
- New Members Social on Zoom – Calling all members who joined TFC this year. You are invited to join Pastors Ted & Dawn Winsley on Friday, November 20th at 7pm for an evening of fun and fellowship. The pastors would love to personally welcome you to the “family”. Registration is required at www.thefamilychurchnj.com or Church Center App.
- I’M NEXT “Level Up” Classes on Zoom Sunday, December 6th and 13th from 3pm-4:30. Attention all youth in grades 7-12! Do you desire to sow your gifts and talents by serving in a ministry at TFC? If so, you are encouraged to sign up for the upcoming Level Up Classes. Please register by Thursday, December 3rd at www.thefamilychurchnj.com or Church Center App.
- Come and learn more about the mission and vision of TFC or take new member classes by attending Next Step Classes. Classes are being offered each month on Sundays via Zoom at 2pm. Registration is required at www.thefamilychurchnj.com or Church Center App.



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Holy Communion

1st Sunday of the Month

Corporate Prayer Every Saturday

Conference Call Line – 712.770.5505 Access Code 114853

Mission Statement

*The Family Church is a Local Community with a
Biblical Mandate to Change our World
by Restoring God’s Family!*

www.thefamilychurchnj.com

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