

News to Know

This Sunday, November 2

We are encouraging our students to invite their parents and family to church this Sunday, November 2. We hope you will join us this week!

The Bridge: Sunday at 5:30 PM

The Bridge Middle School ministry will meet this Sunday at 5:30. This week, we'll talk about what following Jesus looks like.

Refuge: Wednesday at 6:30 PM

Join us in The Harbor at 6:30.

Sunday Morning Small Groups

We have incredible small group leaders for our incredible small groups. Groups meet at 9:45 or 11. Join us this week!

Abounding Grace Girls' Bible Study

Sunday at 6:00 in Grace Cottage.

Middle School Summer Camp

Our 6th-8th Graders are headed to Generate Camp near Chattanooga June 9-13. The cost is \$420. Generate is a brand new camp for our church, but it is very similar to MissionFuge. Our students will serve on a mission site during the day and have worship services at night. [Sign up here](#) by paying a \$125 deposit by December 14.

High School Summer Camp

Our 9th-12th Graders are headed to MissionFuge the week of July 13. The cost is \$450. Right now, the plan is to attend MFuge at Union University in Jackson, Tennessee. However, we are first on the waitlist. I believe we will get in, but, if we don't, we'll be headed to Berry College in Rome, Georgia. [Sign up here](#) by paying a \$125 deposit by December 14.

Refuge this Week

We continue our series through the Book of 1 Samuel with 1 Samuel 24—a story many of us have probably heard. David and his men are hiding in a cave when Saul enters, unaware, to relieve himself. David has a clear opportunity to kill Saul, yet he chooses instead to cut off a corner of his robe. This familiar moment reminds us of the power of trusting God and waiting for His timing. I'll make four points about trust:

1) You can't fully trust what you don't truly know (vv. 24:1-4a)

To motivate David to kill Saul. His men repeat a line they claim the Lord said. Often, we hear lies from the world. We must know truth. Truth cultivates trust.

2) Trust is the courage to wait for God's will in God's way (vv. 4b-7a)

David could have killed Saul, but he didn't. He was willing to

wait on God's timing. The Lord's will must be achieved the Lord's way.

3) Trust is surrendering your will and resting in God's (vv. 7b-15)

When Saul leaves the cave, David confronts Saul and tells him that he could have killed Saul if he wanted. David showed that he was trusting God and now his own strength and power.

Psalm 57 is a song that David wrote in that cave. In it, he expresses his trust in God's sovereignty and power.

4) Be brave enough to trust in ways the world calls strange (vv. 16-22)

Saul replies to David that most people would have killed their enemy in that situation, but David didn't. Trusting God often goes against our natural instincts and against the culture we live in. Trusting God is unnatural, countercultural, and supernatural. And that's exactly why it's powerful.

Resource of the Week

This week's resource is titled, "Help Men Become Better Men." You can find it [here](#).



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