



Who Hears and Believes has Everlasting Life

John 5:24-27 (NKJV)

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Introduction

After Jesus heals the man who had an infirmity for 38 years, the Jews persecuted Jesus and sought to kill Him, because He had done these things on the Sabbath.

In reply, Jesus did not back off, but instead intensified His claims to be God. He claims to be:

- Working with His Father (God), v. 17
- The Son of God, v. 19
- Equal with God in His nature (sovereign), v. 18
- · Love and knowledge, v. 20
- · Works (power), v. 20-21
- Judgment (to judge the world), v. 22
- Worship (to receive honor), v. 23

Then Jesus continues saying that He has the power to impart eternal life to dead sinners and in the future, He will raise them from the dead. v. 25-30

A. There are only two groups of people: Those who are spiritually dead and those who have eternal life.

John 5:24

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The difference is that those who have eternal life have heard Jesus' word and have believed the One who sent Jesus (The Father), whereas those who are spiritually dead have not heard or believed.

Hearing Jesus' word is the same thing as hearing God's Word, since Jesus only did what He saw the Father doing (5:19) and spoke what He heard from the Father.

Hearing Jesus' word referred to more than just hearing the sound of His voice. Obviously, the Jewish leaders who were challenging Jesus heard the sound of His voice, but they didn't accept or submit to what He was saying. Despite witnessing the amazing miracles that Jesus did, the Jewish leaders opposed Him and rejected His claim to be sent to earth from God. Because if they really believed the Father, they would accept Christ.

In John 10:27, Jesus said, by way of contrast with these unbelieving Jews, that His sheep hear His voice and follow Him. To hear Jesus' word means to hear with faith and obedience. It means to believe that what Jesus says is true and to submit to His lordship.

The "Doctrine of Election" points out that Jesus is sovereign and that we are saved because God chose us to be saved.

Question: How can I know whether I am saved (elect)?

Answer: John 5:24

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word and believes in Him who sent Me has everlasting life, and shall not come into judgment, but has passed from death into life.

 Do you believe in Jesus Christ as your Savior from sin and judgment?

- Do you believe the biblical witness to Jesus as the eternal Son of God who was sent to this earth to bear your sin on the cross and who was raised from the dead by the power of God?

If so, you are one of God's elect because none but the elect truly believe in Christ. The Lord here also gives those who believe in Him great assurance. He says that the one who believes "has eternal life, and does not come into judgment, but has passed out of death into life."

Romans 8:1

There is therefore now no condemnation to those who are in Christ Jesus, who do not walk according to the flesh, but according to the Spirit.

B. Jesus is the only one who can impart eternal life.

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United Christian Academy (UCA) fuels students' creativity and imagination through their stage performances during the English Week's culminating activity last July 21, Monday.

Unique costumes and impressive acting skills filled the stage by the very talented and adorable students while performing their English musical plays. It was an artistic way of expressing themselves by using complex english words in each performance. Each play draws attention to informative conversations while also expressing their talents in singing, dancing, and acting. It was indeed a great way to showcase their talents and discover their potential.

Praise God for the opportunity to hone the students' skills through productive activities such as English Day!

PERFORMANCE

(FACE-TO-FACE)

Students exerted collaborative effort to perform their musical plays in line with the theme of using complex English terms in different scenarios and events.





GRADE 1-3

Each class shows lively performances with their colorful and imaginative constumes. They also performed with grace in singing and dancing songs to the Lord.



Isaiah 55:6 (NKJV) ⁶Seek the Lord while He may be found, Call upon Him while He is near.

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Students gave their best in delivering the play with wit and enthusiasm, while these interactive performances amazed the audience. It was another successful activity of celebrating English Day by using complex concepts throughout their performances.





GRADE 7-9

They may be small in our eyes, but their minds are full of imagination and concepts that manifest through their multiple talents in each musical play.





To give us a glimpse of using complex English words in their daily lives, students took the role as young adults in the corporate world while others portrayed a casual church gathering.









⁷Let the wicked forsake his way, And the unrighteous man his thoughts; Let him return to the Lord, And He will have mercy on him; And to our God, For He will abundantly pardon.

Isaiah 55:7 (NKJV)

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Even distance learning students joined in the fun with their enjoyable performances in the comfort of their homes. From singing and dancing to acting, they sure had a blast! The pupils joyfully danced during their Google Meet session as they are taught by the teacher.





GRADE 1-3

Wearing their bright and fancy costumes, students portrayed animals in the farm, ocean, and the jungle as they perform songs emphasizing the English vocabulary.









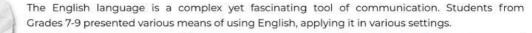
Their energetic and awesome performances prove that they had fun while performing together with their classmates via Google Meet.



With their colorful backgrounds, costumes, and props, the students are enthusiastic to be part of this one-of-a-kind activity.

"For My thoughts are not your thoughts, Nor are your ways My ways," says the Lord.

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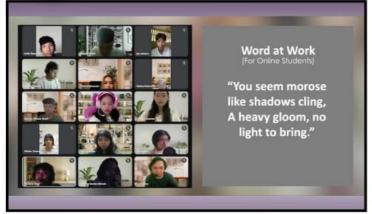


Using creative skits and music, they have made an easier way for the students to learn and remember topics in their English subject like the figures of speech, simile, and metaphor.

IT IS YOUR SMILES that made this gathering so special



Thank you for opening both the doors and your hearts to our family.





9"For as the heavens are higher than the earth, So are My ways higher than your ways, And My thoughts than your thoughts.

Isaiah 55:9

AWARDING



To celebrate and appreciate the efforts of the students, an awarding ceremony was held as where they received their badges for their special awards.





The Spelling Bee qualifiers and winners are recognized and awarded with badges. It is evident in their smiles that their hardwork has paid off.



All classes bag awards for their extraordinary and colorful presentations. Special awards were also given to students who showcased amazing skills and talents on stage. Truly, every child is blessed with God-given gifts to glorify His Name.

Isaiah 55:10 (NKJV) "For as the rain comes down, and the snow from heaven, And do not return there, But water the earth, And make it bring forth and bud, That it may give seed to the sower And bread to the eater

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Clad in colorful costumes and wearing bright smiles, the students, parents, and visitors gathered at the photobooth area to take pictures. They are all the more joyful and excited as they create new memories with their classmates and new friends.











These pictures serve as a reminder of the joyous culminating activity of the English Week where they experienced learning beyond their classrooms.







Warm laughters fill the photobooth area as each group of students and families take their souvenir photos, celebrating their wins and learnings.

"So shall My word be that goes forth from My mouth; It shall not return to Me void, But it shall accomplish what I please, And it shall prosper in the thing for which I sent it.

Isaiah 55:11 (NKJV)





and even acapella.

Conquer the stage with your energetic dance steps and graceful moves in this year's The Moves! Stage presence, synchronization, and facial expression are key to become this year's champion!



MY FAMILY'S GOT

Perform on the UCA stage with your family and relatives in My

Family's Got Talent! UCA indeed makes sure to involve and provide opportunities for families from different parts of the world to feature their talents.

classmates! You can join as solo, duet, choir,





Grace the stage with your adorable, creative, and colorful costumes in the Little Mr. and Ms. UCA. Wear your fabulous dresses with

confidence and impress the crowd with your charm and elegance!





Bring out the cuteness of your pets and showcase their learned tricks on stage in My Pet Day! Your friendly and adorable little friends also get to join for a chance to gain amazing prizes.



ndeed, the Lord's faithfulness and lovingkindness upon the ministry. He has established and He continues to prosper for 29 years is worth celebrating. With this, United Christian Academy (UCA) has prepared fun-filled and exciting activities and programs this coming foundation week that will not only boost their confidence on and off the stage, but also share their God-given talents while enjoying their time with their classmates and friends.



Walk the runway with poise and confidence, and light up the stage with your charismatic smiles in Mr. and Ms. UCAL Do what it takes to be crowned as the next faces of the school!



Matthew 7:7 (NKJV) "Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you.

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Sa patuloy na katapatan ng Diyos sa panambahang Kaniyang tinawag, buong katapatan ding tumutugon ang Kaniyang lingkod na si Rev. Dr. William Sy upang maisakatuparan ang mga pangitaing ipinagkaloob ng Diyos. At bilang bahagi ng katawan ni Kristo, katuwang ni Rev. Dr. Sy ang mga manggagawa sa pagganap sa ministeryo ng Panginoon.

Kaliwa't kanang mga aktibidad ang buong pagsisikap at galak na isinasagawa sa Mt. Tabor Church Re-Creation Center para sa kalaguan ng ministeryo ng Diyos. Mula sa makabuluhang mga pagtitipon hanggang sa kapit-bisig na pagtatanim at pagsasaayos ng lugar, tanging ang Ngalan ng Diyos ang Siyang naluluwalhati. Pinanghahawakan ng bawat isa na anoman ang ating itinanim, ang Panginoon ang Siyang magpapatubo nito. Kaya walang sawa ang bawat isa sa pakikiisa sa gawain ng Diyos.

Purihin ang Panginoon para sa pagmamahal at kalakasang nanggagaling sa Kaniya!



Naganapang buwanang fellowship night ng mga manggagawaat miyembrong UCFMt. Tabor Church noong Hulyo 23, Miyerkules. Dito ay sama-sama silang nag-alay ng papuri at pagsamba sa Diyos, nanalangin, nagsalu-salo sa masasarap na pagkain, nagbahagi ng kanilang karanasan sa Diyos at nakapakinig ng Kaniyang Salita.



Para sa ikalalago ng *agritourism* sa lupain ng Mt. Tabor, samu't saring mga halaman ang lingo-linggong itinatanim ng mga manggagawa at boluntaryo. Sa nakalipas na Sabado, tulong-tulong ang lahat sa paghahanda ng lupa at pagtatanim ng pipino, mustasa at kalamansi.

Agritourism



And you will seek Me and find Me, when you search for Me with all your heart.

Jeremiah 29:13 (NKJV)

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John 5:25-26

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Jesus demonstrated that power physically at the tomb of Lazarus when He called out (John 11:43), "Lazarus, come forth." With the command, Jesus imparted the supernatural power for that dead man to hear and obey.

Just as Lazarus was raised instantly at the command of Christ, so dead sinners are instantly saved when they truly hear the voice of the Son of God. With the command to believe comes the power to believe.

In verse 26, Jesus explained why He can impart life to those who hear His voice: "For as the Father has life in Himself, so He has granted the Son to have life in Himself."

John 1:4

In Him was life, and the life was the light of men.

Conclusion

Jesus claims that He can give eternal life to those who are spiritually dead and that He will raise all people for judgment. Make sure that you have passed out of death and into life because you have put your trust in Jesus Christ and His substitutionary death as your only hope for eternal life!

SERMON NOTES

Write the points to remember from the sermon as you seek God in your life.





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- SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE 9:00 AM (Parañaque)
- SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE 3:00 PM (Cabuyao, Laguna)
- HOUSE OF PRAYER 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM
- HOME BIBLE CHURCH & STUDY Monday - Friday Laguna and Cavite Areas
- PRAYER MEETING Every Wednesday 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM



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