



THE GOSPEL OF JOHN

Giving brave love and good news to a hurting world.

WELCOME TO VALLEY

APRIL 6 & 7

We are so glad you could celebrate with us today. If you are a newcomer, please visit Guest Services. We'd love to meet you and give you a gift. Quintin Stieff brings the message today.

Easter Celebration

Invite your friends and family to worship with us this Easter season as we celebrate the resurrection of our Lord!

Good Friday, April 19—5 & 7 pm

Saturday, April 20—4 & 5:30 pm

Sunday, April 21—8:15, 9:30, & 11 am (*Traditions and Maplenol venues will also be meeting at 9:30 am*)

Easter Lilies (\$20 per lily)

Dedicate an Easter lily to your loved one! Make your purchase at valley-church.com/lily or on the community card. Thanks for making Valley beautiful during our Easter gatherings.

10-Minute Party (TODAY After Each Worship Gathering)

New to Valley? Visit the Welcome Center to enjoy refreshments and get connected!

NEXT 101 (Sunday, May 5, from 11 am-2 pm)

Want to discover how to get more involved at Valley Church? Become a member? NEXT is a four-week course to learn about our vision and values and find your purpose and place at Valley Church. NEXT 101 includes a tour of the church and Valley Community Center. Lunch and childcare are provided. Remaining sessions will be on May 12, 19, and 26 from 11 am-Noon. Sign up on the community card or at valley-church.com/next.

MOBILIZING EVERYONE'S GOD-GIVEN POTENTIAL TO DEEPLY LOVE CHRIST AND THEIR NEIGHBORS.

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COURAGEOUS COMPASSION

THE JESUS WAY OF LIFE

JOHN 11

1. His way is _____ . Jesus is _____ . (1-16)

4. His way _____ itself. Jesus is _____ . (38-44)

2. His way _____ our greatest _____ . Jesus is _____ . (17-27)

5. His way leads to _____ . Jesus is the _____ . (45-57)

3. His way means entering into _____ . Jesus is _____ . (28-37)



LIFE GROUP GUIDE

SHARE

1. Do you prefer being surprised or knowing beforehand? Explain.
2. What's something you feared as a child, that you no longer do?

STUDY

3. Read John 11:17 and verses 20-27. How did Martha's response demonstrate both faith and a lack of faith in Jesus?
4. How has Jesus exceeded your expectations and answered a prayer you never thought possible?
5. How do verses 33-35 challenge the way people, including many Christians, often understand God when tragedy strikes?
6. Reflect on Pastor Quintin's point: Jesus' way overcomes death itself. Why does this give you hope in the face of grave obstacles?
7. What frightens people most about dying? How can you better prepare for death as you reflect on the story of Lazarus?

Digging Deeper...

8. Why do broken people typically have eyes to see God's truth clearer than people that claim to have everything figured out? See Matthew 11:25-26.

Love You Des Moines Days June 8-16

This summer we are excited to once again host Love You Des Moines Days! Over the course of 9 days, you'll get the opportunity to find out what's possible when we're all mobilized in fun, easy, and meaningful connection with our neighbors and community. We need you, your family, and your friends to join in as we put on over 100 community activities, plus celebrations in your own neighborhoods. Be sure to mark your calendars now for June 8-16 for this incredible chance to love our community!

Valley Community Center Host

Connect with Valley Community Center guests, meet new friends, and serve through a variety of daily programs and services. Contact Jeremy to learn more at jeremyd@valleycommunitycenterdm.com.

9. How did Jesus reveal himself to you when you least expected (v. 27)?

10. In what ways do we sometimes second-guess God?

11. God cares deeply about the burdens we carry. How does verse 28 impact the biggest hurdle you're currently facing?

12. Which area in life do you need to ditch your plans and follow after Jesus' footsteps (v. 30)?

13. How can you help a neighbor, co-worker, or friend experience the compassion Jesus offers for all who come to him?

SUPPORT

14. How can you best encourage each other as you wait for God to answer your prayers?

SERVE

If you'd like more information about any of these opportunities to SERVE, send an email to serve@valley-church.com.

- Host a Neighborhood Block Party
- Chapel Ridge Food Pantry
- Habitat for Humanity
- Meals from the Heartland

Valley Community Center Job Opportunities

We're hiring at the Valley Community Center! If you love our community and want to make a difference, check out our two exciting full-time job opportunities: Associate Director of Community Bridges, and Program Coordinator. You can check out the full job descriptions and apply at valley-church.com/jobopportunities.

Hand in Hand Volunteer Training

God continues to bless the Hand in Hand Ministry as we continue to grow. We would love to add you to our volunteer team. There are so many ways to get involved with the ministry and no prior experience is required. Sign up to attend our orientation/training to learn more.

When: April 7 from 12:30-2:30 pm. Lunch is provided.

Where: Northpoint

Questions or RSVP: Email valerier@valley-church.com.