

SERMON NOTES

December 9 & 10, 2023

Can't Wait: Someday...

Matthew 11:1-4 | John 10:22 - 25 | John 5:46

1. Someday, the _____ will come.

Genesis 3:15

Protoevangelium - First telling of the Gospel

Proto - Prototype

Evangel - Gospel

2. Someday, the Messiah will _____.

Isaiah 52: 2-7 | Mark 1:14-15

3. Someday, the Messiah will come and _____.

Isaiah 53:3-5,11

Mark 8:29-33

4. Someday, the Messiah will come _____.

Zechariah 9:9 | Matthew 21:2, 6-7

5. Someday, the _____ will come.

Psalms 107:28-29 | Mark 4:35-41

6. Someday, the _____ will come.

Exodus 34:6-7a | Luke 7:39, 48-49

7. Someday, the Messiah himself will _____.

John 2:19-21

8. Someday, the _____ will come.

Exodus 16:4 | John 6:34-35

9. Someday, the _____ will come.

Mark 16:8 | Luke 24:18,25-27, 31-32

Life Steps

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Monday

Matthew 11:2-5

Reflect: John the Baptist baptized Jesus and heard about all he had done but he still asks, "Are you the one who is to come, or should we wait for someone else?" Why do you think this is so? What was your key takeaway from the message?

Prayer: God, thank you for coming as a humble servant, dying on the cross for our sins. Help us this Christmas to know you as the true Messiah, and Lord and Savior of our lives.

Tuesday

Mark 8:27-32

Reflect: Why does Jesus ask his disciples "Who do people say that I am?" What is different between Peter's expected Messiah and what Jesus describes about the Messiah? Who do you believe Jesus is and why?

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Wednesday

Isaiah 53:3-5, 11

Reflect: After Jesus death and resurrection, his followers remembered the prophet Isaiah said God's servant would suffer. What do the words of Isaiah tell us about Jesus? How does this impact your understanding of who Jesus is?

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Thursday

Zechariah 9:9 | Matthew 21:1-11

Reflect: Israel was looking for a King like David to liberate them from Rome. Conquering Kings don't ride into town on a donkey. They cheered but didn't really recognize Jesus as the true Messiah. What makes it challenging for you to believe Jesus is the true Messiah? Why?

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Friday

Psalms 107:28-20 | Mark 4:35-41

Reflect: The storms of life are inevitable. Sometimes we can see them coming. Sometimes they pop up and surprise us. Jesus came in part as a storm calmer. How have you experienced this truth about who Jesus is? What did you learn about God and yourself in your most recent storm?

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Saturday

Luke 7:36 - 39, 44-49

Reflect: What do we learn about a relationship with Jesus from the woman? What do we learn about forgiveness of sins from Jesus? Write out your own prayer of confession. Keep it real, then read it out loud to God asking for forgiveness.

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Sunday

Luke 24:13-35

Reflect: Like many of us, the resurrected Jesus was right beside them, but they didn't recognize him. When they finally did, "they told that happened" to them. What prevents people outside the church and or faith from recognizing Jesus? How do doubters and the unchurched experience you? It is time to start inviting people to one of our many Advent Christmas services and or experiences. Who are you inviting?

Prayer: Lord Jesus Christ, Messiah, Savior of the world, make me aware of the people around me who do not really know you, and make me bold in my inviting.