

# THE STORY

READ THE STORY. EXPERIENCE THE BIBLE.

## CHAPTER 13: *The King Who Had It All*



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FINDING YOUR STORY IN GOD'S STORY.

## GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

16 April 2023, 10:13am

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC and CANDLE LIGHTING

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Please stand as you are able.*

OPENING SONGS

*Be Unto Your Name*

*Gary Sadler, Lynn DeShazo*

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*Because He Lives*

*Gloria Gaither, William J. Gaither*

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INVOCATION and OPENING PRAYER

*Please be seated.*

CHAPTER 13: The King Who Had It All

Introduction: *Wisdom, Wealth, then a Kingdom Lost*      *Rene' Shanle-Hutzell*

THE STORY VIDEO

SONG OF THE DAY

*How Great Is Our God*

*Chris Tomlin, Jesse Reeves, Ed Cash*

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*\* All children are invited to come forward during the song.*

CHILDREN'S TALK

Following the CHILDREN'S MESSAGE kids are invited to gather in the ANNEX for THE STORY FOR KIDS.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

**1 Kings 2:1-4** (*David's Charge to Solomon*)

**Luke 3:1-6** (*John the Baptist Prepares the Way*)

THE STORY CONTINUES . . .

God's Upper Story

*"Solomon Sought Wisdom and Began Well"*

Our Lower Story

*"According to What Wisdom Do We Walk? "*

## SERMON NOTES

Main Point

*Scripture Verse*

Upper Story Meaning

*God's Perspective*

Lower Story Meaning

*Our perspective*

THE STORY Meaning

*How do the two stories become THE Story?*

Application

*What Does This Mean For Me?*

## THANKFUL GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

### **Thank you for your faithful prayers and financial support of Grace Ministries.**

Our ability to continue to serve you, the Church, and our community is greatly dependent upon the willingness of God's people to give of their time, talents and treasures. Please remember to support the LORD's Church by regularly sending in your tithes and offerings; by mail, via VANCO Online Giving, or download the GivePlus® Mobile App. As the Apostle Paul writes, "Each one must give as he has made up his mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver" (2 Corinthians 9:7). If you brought your tithe or offering with you today, you may place them in the box marked "I Bring An Offering To The Lord" sitting on the table next to the usher's station at the entrance to the sanctuary.

*Please stand.*

## OFFERTORY SONG

*Majesty Jack Hayford*

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WHAT WE BELIEVE ~ Apostles' Creed

*LSB Back Cover*

## REPENTANCE and RENEWAL

*Though Jesus has come down from the heavens as the bread of life for us, we sometimes listen to other people's words. We sometimes choose to follow those who do not follow Jesus. We sometimes delight in earthly pleasures rather than the daily bread God has given us. Yet, our heavenly Father calls us back to Him, for His way is a way of forgiveness. Let us then confess our sins to almighty God.*

*In silent prayer, we bring our sins to the foot of the cross.*

*Heavenly Father,*

We have lived according to our own wisdom and desires. We have ignored Your words and wisdom. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us on the way of resurrection and eternal life, on account of Jesus. Amen.

*Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die and rise for you. Jesus, the living bread from heaven, has given His body and shed His blood so that you would be forgiven and have eternal life.*

*As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the*

*Holy Spirit.*

Amen. We are forgiven. We have eternal life with Christ. Alleluia!

*Please be seated.*

## PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

*Please stand.*

## SERVICE OF THE HOLY SUPPER

**HOLY COMMUNION** is a confession of the faith whereby we profess at this altar that our Lord Jesus Christ gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Therefore, any who are not yet instructed, or who are in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, are respectfully asked to refrain from partaking in the meal and instead may come to the altar and receive a blessing, or remain in your pew during distribution, and afterwards speak with the pastor.

*The Lord be with you.*

*2 Timothy*

*4:22*

And also with you.

*Lift up your hearts.*

*Colossians 3:1*

We lift them up to the Lord.

*Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.*

*Psalms 136*

It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

*It is truly good, right, and proper . . . evermore praising You and saying:*

## SANCTUS

*LSB p. 208*

*Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sa-ba-oth adored;*

*Heav'n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name.*

*Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord;*

*Truly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord.*

Sabaoth (SAH-bay-oath) is Hebrew for "heavenly hosts."  
Hosanna is a Hebrew word of praise meaning "save us now."

## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

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THE LORD'S PRAYER

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THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24;  
Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25

THE PEACE

*The peace of the Lord be with you always.*  
Amen.

John 20:19

*Please be seated.*

## MY CONFESSIONAL PRAYER

I REJOICE in Jesus as my personal Lord and Savior.  
I REPENT of all my sins in thought, word, and deed.  
I RECEIVE Christ's real body and blood, as well as the bread and wine in this Sacrament.  
I RELY on our Savior's promise of forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation given to me  
through this Holy Supper.  
I REAFFIRM my oneness with fellow communicants in accepting all of Christ's teaching.  
I RESOLVE to live a sanctified life by the power of the Holy Spirit.

DISTRIBUTION SONGS

*Savior Like A Shepherd Lead Us*

LSB 711

*White As Snow*

Leon Olguin

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*Your Grace Is Sufficient For Me*

Martin J. Nystrom

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*Please stand.*

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

BLESSING TO DEPART

Numbers 6:24-26

THIS WEEK'S CHALLENGE

Rene' Shanle-Hutzell

DEPARTING SONG

*This Is Amazing Grace*

Phil Wickham, Josh Farro, Jeremy Riddle

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*Thank you for worshiping with us today.*

Please join us for refreshments and conversation in the Grace Fellowship Hall.

A background image of pink wildflowers, possibly penstemon, with a soft, out-of-focus effect. The flowers are in various shades of pink and purple, with green stems and leaves visible. The overall tone is gentle and natural.

Consider how the wildflowers grow. They do not labor or spin. Yet I tell you, not even Solomon in all his splendor was dressed like one of these.

Luke 12:27

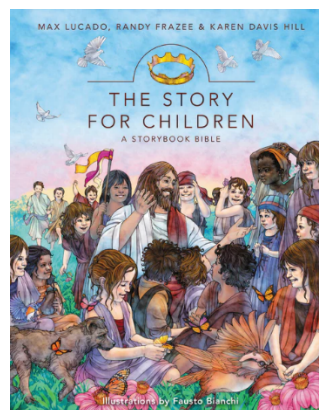
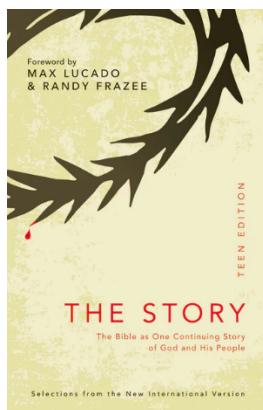
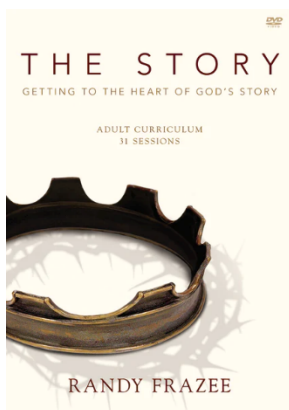
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## Small Group Bible Studies

### HOW CAN YOU GET PLUGGED IN?



### WEDNESDAY

- 11:00 AM Adult Study
- 5:30 PM Light Supper
- 6:00 PM Adult Study (Nursery Available)
- 6:00 PM Kids & Youth Study

### SATURDAY

- 10:00 AM Women's Study
- 10:00 AM Men's Study (See Pastor Marty for New Time)

### SUNDAY

- 9:00 AM All Ages Study (Nursery Available)

For questions or more information, contact René Hutzell (541) 661-1064.





**April 16, 2023**

### **WELCOME VISITORS AND GUESTS!**

We're glad you're here and invite you to consider yourself part of our Grace family. We would love to connect with you. Please fill in the "Welcome Card" found in the pew rack and place it in the basket on the table at the entrance to the sanctuary. Thank You!

Thank you for your faithful prayers and financial support of Grace Ministries. Tithes and offerings may be placed in the grey box sitting on the table next to the usher's station at the back of the sanctuary.

#### **OUR STEWARDSHIP**

General Giving Needed Monthly: \$17,917

**This month to date: \$13,077**

Designated Giving: \$--

Building Fund: \$6,000

Sunday School Mission: \$--

Grace Food Pantry: \$--

Food Pantry: 8 Bags

Holy Week Worship Attendance: 188

Small Group Studies: --



Grace is getting an AED (Automated External Defibrillator) which will be placed in a wall mounted box in the Fellowship Hall. The RED CROSS training on how to use the AED machine will be Saturday, April 22 at 2:00pm at Grace. The training should only be 30 minutes. Please see Sue D'Errico if you would like to attend.

## New Small Groups Being Offered

Sign-up sheets are in the Fellowship Hall for two new small groups which will begin soon. Invite someone to join you in one of these new studies.



### COPING WITH GRIEF AND LOSS

We can grieve for any number of reasons. Loss of a loved one, a pet, friends, relationships, or a job all can lead to experiencing grief, whether it's a recent occurrence or happened years ago. Please join us and invite others who are also grieving.

***Sharing. Caring. Praying.  
Together.***



**How are we to live in today's WOKE world? What exactly is WOKE? Feeling lost or confused with today's cultural and value changes? We will be tackling the hot cultural topics through God's word which has a lot to say about how God's people should respond to injustice and culture.**

**Pastoral Home Visits** (with Holy Communion, if requested) have begun! We will be working through our list of family members at Grace and setting appointments for Thursday and Friday afternoons starting at 1pm. If you would like a visit soon, please call Karla at the church office (707) 464-4712 or see René Hutzell at church and we will arrange a visit!

Please note: Thursday and Friday afternoons, Pastor Marty will be out of the office and in the 'field' tending sheep.



**Those traveling:** Barbara and Mike Allen; Jayne Kettner and sister Mary; Ralph and Renata Hirt. **Healing:** Buck Shaw who is in the final stages of dementia and for Cindy, his wife and caregiver; Elaine Gardner (friend of Faye Mergups) who was just diagnosed with bone cancer; Paul Sanders for loss of vision in right eye and medication side effects; Sherry Lang (very low white blood cell count); Sally Mensing; the Stanley Family; Janis Sad's brother, Preston Reed (heart & lung issues); Patricia Waggoner (friend of Erik Hauan) awaiting gastral-intestinal surgery; Pam Meirndorf's stepdaughter Julie Shafer (congestive heart failure) and husband Bob (cancer remission); Terri Gruden who is recovering from neck surgery; Sheila Shanle-suffering from pain in her neck/shoulder; former member, Lynda Hayes, for healing and lessening of pain from 2 recent back surgeries.

## IN OUR CONTINUED PRAYERS

Those who are hospitalized, chronically ill, in nursing home/care facilities, or otherwise in need of encouragement.

**Cards and calls are always appreciated!**

*Bryan Stanley, Angela Stanley, Jeannie Tardif, Mary Jean Ames, Seth Bauer, Ruthe Mayer, Winnifred 'Wyn' Miller, Ashlie and Jared Newton, Ashlie Reed, Mary Rupprecht, Nancy and David Scott, Della Schmidt, the family of Tony Dantzman, and Ray Melvin's brother Gary.*

**Family and friends serving in the military:** Chris Beeson, Sgt. Troy Clements, David Eninger, Gannon Machado, Collin Matz, Daniel Quick, Mark Tatara, Brent Thompson, Crawford Trask, Guy Walker, and Antonia Shanle.

**Please help us to stay up to date regarding those in need of our prayers by calling the office at 707-464-4712.**

## THIS WEEK AT GRACE

OFFICE OPEN	10:00AM - 3:00PM	TUESDAY - FRIDAY
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**April 16-22, 2023**

**Sunday:** 9:00am Nursery & Sunday School—for ALL ages  
10:13am **Sunday Worship—The Story: Chapter 13**  
5:30pm Pastor/Elders Meeting

**Monday:** **OFFICE CLOSED**  
2pm-4pm Food Pantry

**Wednesday:** 11:00 am The Story Bible Study  
6:00pm Dinner  
6:30pm The Story Bible Study

**Thursday:** 10:00am Quilters  
5:00pm Worship Team Practice

**Saturday** 10:00am Women's Small Group, The Story  
10:00am Men's Small Group – *Please check with Pastor Marty for new time*  
2:00pm Red Cross AED machine Training

*Grace Leadership Planning Retreat for ministry leaders is scheduled for Saturday, June 10, 11:30am-3:00pm. Please see René Hutzell for details.*

For additional information about events and ministries, check the church calendar online at [www.GraceLutheranCC.com](http://www.GraceLutheranCC.com).