

WORSHIP GUIDE – MAY 24, 2020

Welcome: Pacino Family

Opening Scripture: Philip Chandler – Psalm 59

Song: *Nobody*

Song: *Before the Throne of God*

Prayer: Pray for Unity in the Church with your family

Dear God, we ask that you fill us with your Spirit of love and unity among believers all across this nation.

We ask for your help to set aside our differences and look to the greater cause, the cause of Christ. We ask that you would help us to truly live a life of love. We know that this is only possible through the power of your Spirit, so we pray for your Spirit to move across our land in fresh ways. Turn your people back to you. Draw others to come to know you. Thank you that you are always with us to give us great purpose and hope.

We pray for our families, for every relationship most dear to us, that you would guard our time, and our lives together. We ask for your ability to quickly forgive hurts, for a renewed heart of compassion, for love and faithfulness to be evident in every decision and action.

Sermon Scripture: 1 Corinthians 8:1-13 (read with your family)

Sermon: *Dangerous Freedom, Part 1 – Free to Love*

Offering: Take a moment to give online or prepare your offering for mailing

Song: *Doers of the Word*

Benediction Prayer: Read together as a family

Jude 24-25

Now to Him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of His glory with great joy, to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen. (ESV)

DANGEROUS FREEDOM PART 1 - FREE TO LOVE
1 Corinthians 8:1-13

Acts 15:28–29

[28] For it has seemed good to the Holy Spirit and to us to lay on you no greater burden than these requirements: [29] that you abstain from what has been sacrificed to idols, and from blood, and from what has been strangled, and from sexual immorality. If you keep yourselves from these, you will do well. Farewell.” (ESV)

What is idolatry?

We call these issues of _____ and conscience - Activities where the Scripture does not clearly forbid or the New Testament allows as a result of Christ's atonement, and therefore allows for freedom of conscience under the leadership of the Holy Spirit.

Name a few examples from the sermon (or some of your own)

Two sides of the horse - we can fall off.

1. _____ - Christ's death was for our freedom, we are forgiven, and should enjoy all things God has given us. Restricting freedom is the ultimate sin of religion.

2. _____ - Christ's death was to make us holy, and we should avoid anything that could lead to sin. So, the best approach is to give clarity about the rules and set a high bar for our actions, thus avoiding anything that might lead to sin. But the result is that they will impose their conscience on all, put layers on the Gospel, and stand in judgment over others who do not agree or who do these things.

Three thoughts about how we should navigate issues of liberty and conscience.

1. Our _____

*the Christian posture is _____ and _____

2. Our _____

What does Paul say about the freedom to eat?

3. Our _____

We should live in freedom, yet we lay aside our freedom for:

*The _____ of my brothers and sisters

*The cause of the _____

*To sin against my brother or sister is to sin against _____.