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## UNEXPECTED

#### **INCONSISTENT!**

October 10, 11, and 14, 2020

"He's says one thing and does another." It is frustrating when a parent or a co-worker or friend is inconsistent. What about God? Is He ever inconsistent? Does He ever do the unexpected?

#### FACE MASK PLEASE

In humble service to all in our church community, we are asking all present from age 5 and up to wear a face mask during worship in voluntary compliance with Governor Evers' extended order. Face masks are available from the ushers if you are without one. If you are unable to wear a face mask for medical reasons, please do all you can to maintain social distance from others. In Christian love, let us seek to protect the health of others.

#### **BELLS AND WELCOME**

#### OPENING HYMN 234, vv. 1-3

#### Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

We open our worship with a song of praise to our faithful God who graciously guides, fortifies, and sustains us our journey from birth to our heavenly home.

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and salvation!
Let all who hear Now to his temple draw near, Joining in glad adoration!

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is wondrously reigning
And, as on wings of an eagle,
uplifting, sustaining.
Have you not seen All that is needful has been
Sent by his gracious ordaining?

Praise to the Lord, who has fearfully, wondrously, made you, Health has bestowed and, when heedlessly falling, has stayed you. What need or grief Ever has failed of relief? Wings of his mercy did shade you.

- M The grace of our Lord + Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.
- C And also with you.

#### **Confession of Sins**

- M Brothers and sisters, the Scriptures clearly attest to God's qualities of integrity, honesty, and consistency.
- C "God is not human, that he should lie, not a human being, that he should change his mind. Does he speak and then not act? Does he promise and not fulfill? (Numbers 23:19).
- M These same words, however, are an indictment of the sinful human nature. We do lie. We say we will do one thing, but then do another. We fail to keep our promises. Sin infects us to the core. What we deserve from God is eternal wrath and punishment. Instead, God offers grace and forgiveness in Christ. Let us, therefore, turn to God, humble ourselves before him, and confess our sin, seeking his assurance of mercy and grace.
- C Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior, Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.
- M God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us. He has given us his only Son as the atoning sacrifice for all our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- M The works of the Lord are great and glorious; his name is worthy of praise.

SONG OF PRAISE 234, v. 5

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me adore him!
All that has life and breath, come now with praises before him!
Let the Amen Sound from his people again;
Gladly forever adore him!

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

- M The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- M Let us pray Lord God, you are faithful to all your promises.
- C Not one of all the Lord's good promises to Israel failed; every one was fulfilled (Joshua 21:45).
- M As you have promised, come to us today through your precious Word and Sacrament.
- C Teach us to know you better. Remove our doubts and fears. Help us to trust in you.
- M We pray in Jesus' name. He lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

FIRST LESSON Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32

When the Lord condemns sinners who believe themselves righteous and forgives the repentant sinner, is he being consistent?

<sup>1</sup>The word of the LORD came to me: <sup>2</sup> "What do you people mean by quoting this proverb about the land of Israel:

"'The parents eat sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge'?

<sup>3</sup> "As surely as I live, declares the Sovereign LORD, you will no longer quote this proverb in Israel. <sup>4</sup> For everyone belongs to me, the parent as well as the child—both alike belong to me. The one who sins is the one who will die.

<sup>25</sup> "Yet you say, 'The way of the Lord is not just.' Hear, you Israelites: Is my way unjust? Is it not your ways that are unjust? <sup>26</sup> If a righteous person turns from their righteousness and commits sin, they will die for it; because of the sin they have committed they will die. <sup>27</sup> But if a wicked person turns away from the wickedness they have committed and does what is just and right, they will save their life. <sup>28</sup> Because they consider all the offenses they have committed and turn away from them, that person will surely live; they will not die. <sup>29</sup> Yet the Israelites say, 'The way of the Lord is not just.' Are my ways unjust, people of Israel? Is it not your ways that are unjust?

<sup>30</sup> "Therefore, you Israelites, I will judge each of you according to your own ways, declares the Sovereign LORD. Repent! Turn away from all your offenses; then sin will not be your downfall. <sup>31</sup> Rid yourselves of all the offenses you have committed, and get a new heart and a new spirit. Why will you die, people of Israel? <sup>32</sup> For I take no pleasure in the death of anyone, declares the Sovereign LORD. Repent and live!

#### VERSE OF THE DAY



GOSPEL Matthew 21:28-32

Jesus tells a parable in response to the Pharisee's complaint: "He eats with tax collectors and sinners."

<sup>28</sup> "What do you think? There was a man who had two sons. He went to the first and said, 'Son, go and work today in the vineyard.'

<sup>29</sup> "I will not," he answered, but later he changed his mind and went.

 $^{30}$  "Then the father went to the other son and said the same thing. He answered, 'I will, sir,' but he did not go.

31 "Which of the two did what his father wanted?"

"The first," they answered.

Jesus said to them, "Truly I tell you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God ahead of you. <sup>32</sup> For John came to you to show you the way of righteousness, and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes did. And even after you saw this, you did not repent and believe him.

After the Gospel, the congregation sings:

C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

CONFESSION OF FAITH The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one being with the Father.

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,

the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead

and the life of the world to come. Amen.

#### HYMN OF THE DAY 444

#### If You but Trust in God to Guide You

George Neumark was robbed on his way to study law at the University of Koenigberg. He not only lost his money but also his hope to attend the university. At his darkest hour, he received an appointment to a position that allowed him to be back on his feet. He wrote that this good fortune came "as if fallen from heaven." He wrote this hymn in honor of his "beloved Lord" who had displayed "such unexpected grace."

If you but trust in God to guide you
And place your confidence in him,
He'll give you strength and stand beside you
When days are dreary, dark, and dim.
For those who trust his changeless love
Build on the rock that does not move.

How can these anxious worries aid you, These never-ceasing moans and sighs? Will not his wings of mercy shade you Whenever troubled times arise? Our cross and trials do but press The heavier for our bitterness.

Sing, pray, and keep his ways unswerving, Perform your duties faithfully, And trust his Word; though undeserving, You'll find his promise true to be. God never yet forsook in need The soul that trusted him indeed.

SERMON Matthew 21:28-32

Pastor Peter Panitzke

#### PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

#### LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

#### THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

M The Lord be with you.



M Lift up your hearts.



M Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



M Praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing. He sends the Holy Spirit to testify that we are his children and to strengthen us when we are weak. Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ. To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and thanks and honor and glory for ever and ever.



#### **WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

M The peace of the Lord be with you always.



#### DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

Please see Communion note on page 10.

We will distribute the Lord's body and blood using "continuous Communion." As you stand in line in the center aisle, please maintain social distance from the person in front of you. Cup your hands to receive the wafer. Pause as the pastor says, "Take and eat. The body of the Lord." Move to the communion table and pick up a cup. The assistant will say, "Take and drink. The blood of the Lord." Then dispose of the cup and return to your seat by one of the side aisles.

#### **DISTRIBUTION HYMN 459**

God's faithfulness to his Word and promises is not only a great comfort to his people, but also an impetus for godly living and patience in suffering.

O God, my faithful God, O Fountain ever flowing, Who good and perfect gifts In mercy are bestowing, Give me a healthy frame, And may I have within A conscience free from blame, A soul unhurt by sin.

Grant me the strength to do With ready heart and willing Whatever you command, My calling here fulfilling, That I do what I should While trusting you to bless The outcome for my good, For you must give success.

Keep me from saying things That later need recalling; Grant that no idle words May from my lips be falling, But then, when in my place I must and ought to speak, My words grant pow'r and grace Lest I offend the weak.

Lord, let me win my foes With kindly words and actions, And let me find good friends For counsel and correction. Help me, as you have taught, To love both great and small And by your Spirit's might To live in peace with all.

#### **CLOSING PRAYER**

- M Hear the prayer of your people, O Lord, that the lips which have praised you here may glorify you in the world, that the eyes which have seen the coming of your Son may long for his coming again, and that all who have received in his true body and blood the pledge of your forgiveness may be restored to live a new and holy life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

#### BLESSING

M Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and † give you peace.



## **WEEKLY CALENDAR**

For the week of October 12, 2020

MON	10:00 am	Walking Club (Trinity Gym)
TUE	10:00 pm 10:00 am 4:30 pm 6:00 pm 7:00 pm	Pastor Circuit Meeting at Star of Bethlehem, New Berlin Walking Club (Trinity Gym) Public School 6-8 Grade Confirmation Instruction Classes (online) Divorce Care (School Classroom #8) Following the Promise (online)
WED	6:30 am 7:00 pm	Sunrise Bible Study (Faith Room) Traditional Worship Service with Holy Communion
THURS	10:00 am	Walking Club (Trinity Gym)
SAT	8:00 am 5:00 pm 6:00 pm	Men's Breakfast Bible Study (Faith Room) Traditional Worship Service Small Group Communion Service
SUN	7:45 am 9:15 am 9:15 am 9:45 am 10:15 am 10:45 am	Traditional Worship Service Traditional Worship Service Kids Club The Bridge Communion The Bridge Traditional Worship Service

#### **OCTOBER IS PASTOR APPRECIATION MONTH**

Express your appreciation for our pastors during October; it's pastor appreciation month. Acknowledge their compassion, hard work, leadership, and faithful service given all year through. A simple thank-you in person or via email, voice message, card, or other personal acknowledgment will mean so much to our pastors and their families.



Our vision is that by every possible means we bring every person in our area of influence closer to Christ through regular worship, small groups, and serving together.

## ST. PAUL'S NEWS

#### **HOSPITALIZED**

Baby Wesley Fischer (Froedtert), Lois Guhr (hospice care at Care-Age in Brookfield), Paul Gionfriddo (Care Age in Brookfield), Fred Liermann (hospice care at Autumn Leaves in Franklin), Dorrette Probst (home hospice care), and Brittany Michaels (Duke Hospital in Durham, North Carolina). Karen (Mrs. Martin) Schulz has been discharged from the hospital.

#### **A**TTENDANCE

The following attended last week's services: 101 on Saturday, 73 on Sunday 7:45 am, 110 on Sunday 9:15 am, 119 at The Bridge, 21 on Sunday 10:45, and 16 on Wednesday.

## UNEXPECTED!

Often Jesus' parables take an unexpected turn. The way our God deals with us can also seem unexpected. The "Unexpected" message series takes up both of those issues as we look at Jesus' parables.

October 18: The Parable of the Tenants – Matthew 21:33-43 Permissive! To us it seems like God is being way too permissive when he deal with the ungodly. Why doesn't he come in judgment sooner? God's children can be glad he does not.



## October 25: The Parable of the Wedding Banquet - Matthew 22:1-14

Biased! Is God biased? Does he play favorites? What is the key to God being able to welcome all into his heavenly banquet? What can we learn from him?

#### SUNDAY MORNING KIDS CLUB IS NOW IN-PERSON!

The 2020-2021 Kids Club season began in-person learning last Sunday with 38 children! Kids Club meets 9:15-10:15 am in St. Paul's School. Enter via the Trinity Cafe. Kids Club offers classes for ages 3K-Grade 6. We require that all students attending wear masks and that any adults dropping off or picking up children do the same while in the building. We are also observing other safety protocols. Contact Dr. Nelson at <a href="mailto:inelson@stpaulmuskego.org">inelson@stpaulmuskego.org</a> to learn more. Also, additional staff are needed. If you'd like to learn more, mark the back of your Connection Card or reach out to Dr. Nelson.

#### **OUR COMMUNION PRACTICE**

The Lord's Supper is a fellowship meal. In this meal Jesus expresses his fellowship with us by giving us his body and blood for the forgiveness of sins. In this meal we also express our fellowship with each other, that is, that we are united in a common confession of faith.

We at St. Paul's want everyone to enjoy this fellowship meal. However, we cannot ask someone to express agreement with us until we give that person an opportunity to discover what we teach. That is why we schedule frequent membership classes, entitled *Following the Promise*, to provide an overview of our teachings. Contact Pastor Nate Strobel at nstrobel@stpaulmuskego.org for more information or to register for the class.

If you are a member of St. Paul's or a member of a WELS or ELS congregation, we invite you to express our common confession by communing with us. Please register your intent to commune as a member or guest by filling out the Connection Card and placing it in the basket in the church lobby.

## ST. PAUL'S NEWS

#### **HEALING THE GRIEVING**

Our congregation's one-on-one grief ministry is in need of a coordinator. If this is something that interests you and you would like more information, please contact Pastor Kuehl at <a href="mailto:dkuehl@sbcglobal.net">dkuehl@sbcglobal.net</a> or (414) 422-0320, ext. 121. "Mourn with those who mourn" (Romans 12:15).

#### FOLLOWING THE PROMISE ON TUESDAYS

"Come one, come all!" to the fall session of Following the Promise (FtP), running 12 weeks through December 15. Taught 100% online and "recorded so you can miss a class and watch later," a computer or iPad is all you need! Each week from 7:00 until 8:15 pm we journey from creation's fall into sin to the "goodness" of Good Friday to the halls of heaven--finding Jesus at the heart of the Scriptures. Text your interest to Pastor Nate at (414) 426-8236, email him at nstrobel@stpmuskego.org, or register on the back of your Connection Card. This class serves as a path to membership.

#### **ONLINE BIBLE STUDY WITH PASTOR PETE**

Every other Thursday, Pastor Pete leads a Zoom Bible study at 7:00 pm, generally using the GroupWork Bible study material. The next study will be on October 22. Register on the Connection Card or simply click the Zoom link that will be sent out just prior to the study.

#### **DIVORCECARE**

We are launching the new and updated DivorceCare group materials beginning November 3, 2020. If you have been part of DivorceCare in the past, come and share how God has brought healing into your life. If you have experienced or are experiencing the pain of divorce, please come and find hope and healing in Jesus. We meet Tuesday evenings from 6:00-7:30 pm in the school building, room #8. For more information on DivorceCare go to divorcecare.org. Call or email Kristen Miller if you have questions or to register at <a href="mailto:kmiller@stpmuskego.org">kmiller@stpmuskego.org</a> or 414-422-0320 ext. 130.

#### WISH LIST

The items listed below would greatly benefit the ministry at St. Paul's. These items are above and beyond the budgeted expenses. If you would like to give toward a Wish List item, clearly mark your envelope, "Wish List," with the item title, or give online at <a href="https://www.stpaulmuskego.org/give">www.stpaulmuskego.org/give</a>.

Item	Est. Cost	Received	Still Needed
Photo Feature Walls for church lobby and			
Trinity Café	\$4,000	\$1,875	\$2,125
Church Signage Updates	\$6,373	\$0	\$6,373
Church Family Room Furniture Updates	\$8,850	\$3,003	\$5,847
Garden Homes Lutheran Church Food			
Pantry	\$1,500	\$3,300	Fully Funded

#### Thank You for Your Generous Support of Garden Homes

Your generous response to our Wish List request last month for Garden Homes Lutheran Church is allowing them to add an electrical outlet and purchase a freezer so that they can receive free frozen food to be given away as part of their Food Pantry Ministry. The funds above what is needed for the freezer project will enable them to purchase more food to help those in need in their community. Thank you for your love and support of this sister congregation and her ministry.

## ST. PAUL'S NEWS

#### St. Paul's Pre K 3 and 4 Year Old's are Loving In Person School!

Our 3K and 4K Pre-Kindergarten joyfully resumed in-person classes for the 2020-2021 school year on Tuesday, September 8. There was definite excitement in the air among the students and teachers finally together after over 5 months!

The Pre-K teachers have reported the following positive happenings in their classrooms:



"This morning each child was brave enough to say our Bible words all alone. Also, one of them said that they didn't need me to tell them how much time was left in the day (He was happy enough to stay and not worry about going home - hooray!)."

"I'm excited that 13 of my 16 students have siblings that have attended, and still attend, our Pre K/School!"

"We have had three students add a day to their weekly schedules because they are enjoying school so much. Two in 3K and one in 4K."

"When I was doing the children's 'All About Me' interview sheets, one of the questions was, "What are you most excited about?" Many of the answers were that they were most excited about school, playing with friends, going to gym, and riding the bus! This is wonderful as these are all school related things to be excited about."

God teaches us in Proverbs 16:9, "In his heart a man plans his course, but the Lord determines his steps." We have good plans in place at school, and we continue to pray that the Lord keeps our kids here in school, with their classmates and teachers, enjoying classroom laughs and learning, recess, hot lunch, and all the other things that make our Lutheran school a great place to be...because the Joy of lesus is here! His will be done. Amen.

#### St. Paul's Child Care Center Openings in the Infant and Toddler Rooms

Our child care center has openings in the infant and toddler rooms. Please contact Tammy Dockter for a tour of the facility and for more information at (414) 422-0320, ext. 200, or dockterta@stpmuskego.org.

#### St. Paul's Child Care Center is Hiring

Our child care center is in need of substitute aides that would fill in for employee vacations with advance notice and occasionally last minute for sick employees. Another need is for an afternoon aide in the toddler room. Hours are 12:30 to 6:00 pm, four days per week. Please contact Tammy Dockter at (414) 422-0320, ext. 200, or dockterta@stpmuskego.org for more information and to apply.

## St. Paul's News

#### COUNSELING AND CARE MINISTRY SEMINAR: RESPONDING IN FAITH TO ABUSE

Survivors of abuse are all around us. Even in the church. I in 3 men and women have experienced a relationship violence-related impact their lifetime. Abuse is a difficult topic, but so important for us to address. Research shows that survivors who have support from their church have more feelings of well-being and are less likely to return to an abusive relationship. All of us need to better understand this tragic phenomenon and how to respond. On Saturday, October 17, from 8:30 a.m. through 3:30 p.m. Michelle Markgraf will present a highly interactive seminar where all the members of the congregation are invited to learn the following:



- The different forms of abuse
- Effects of abuse and trauma on the survivor
- How you can help a survivor
- How our church and community can help survivors and address abuse

Please save this date of Saturday, October 17. Lunch and snacks will be provided. Register to attend at <a href="http://stpaulmuskego.org/responding-to-abuse/">http://stpaulmuskego.org/responding-to-abuse/</a>.

#### **RAINBOWS CHILDREN'S GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP**

Help support our children in crisis. We are looking for a few individuals who would be interested in becoming facilitators for a children's grief support group called Rainbows. Rainbows is a peer support group program designed to help children of various ages who are grieving the loss of a family member due to death or a parent (or guardian) due to divorce, deployment, incarceration, or trauma. Online training through the Rainbows organization will be required. Please contact Amy Chapman for further information (414) 499-5318 or <a href="mailto:amylynn.chapman@outlook.com">amylynn.chapman@outlook.com</a>.

## St. Paul's News

## AWAKE AND ALIVE'S NEXT ONLINE YOUNG ADULT EVENT—OCTOBER 25, 6:30 PM—ZOOM

Author Amber Albee Swenson is the featured speaker for our October online gathering. She will be speaking on *Change the Narrative*. Are you prone to thinking things like, "You're worthless," or "You always mess up?" Do you talk yourself into indulging in things you shouldn't because "you only live once" or "I'm pretty good in the other areas of my life and so and so is much worse, so..." We're going to talk about common self-talk: the things that routinely go through our minds and learn how we can "change the narrative" so that we're taking every thought captive for Christ.



Amber Albee Swenson is actively involved in ministry to children, teens, and women. She has authored four full-length books, 2 mini-books for Time of Grace, and co-authored one book for Northwestern Publishing House. She has also blogged for Holy Hen House and currently for Time of Grace. Her podcast, Little Things (Time of Grace) airs each Sunday. Her husband and four children (20, 18, 15, and 12) are her greatest joy and the reason she stays on her knees and her toes. Go to <a href="https://awakealive.com/">https://awakealive.com/</a> for more information.



## Jonah - A Lesson in God's Inconsistency

- I. Have fun getting to know each other:
  - a. What were some of the inconsistencies that you saw in your parents when you were a child about which you laugh with them now?
  - b. What are some of your inconsistencies that frustrate people around you?
- 2. Read Matthew 21:28-32 and Jonah 1:1-3. Compare Jonah to the two sons of the parable. Which of the two sons is he like?
- 3. Read Jonah 3:1-10. What had the LORD threatened? What happened? Was the LORD being inconsistent, saying one thing but doing another?
- 4. Read Jonah 4:1-4. Why do you think that "inconsistency" in God frustrated Jonah? Have you ever felt that way?
- 5. God only appears inconsistent as he proclaims law and gospel. The inconsistency lies in each of us because we have a sinful nature that often leads us to say one thing and do another. Read this week's Old Testament lesson Ezekiel 18:30-32. What is the LORD's constant desire?
- 6. Close by reading together Ephesians 3:14-21 as your prayer for each other, that every person in your group might grasp the constant of the Savior's forgiving love.



# "Unexpected" Message Series Is God Inconsistent? Matthew 21:28-32

## I. Inconsistent? A Good Thing about our God

- a. The Unchanging God
  - i. "I the LORD do not change. So you, the descendants of Jacob, are not destroyed" (Malachi 3:6).
  - ii. "God is not human, that he should lie, not a human being, that he should change his mind" (Numbers 23:19).
  - iii. "I AM WHO I AM" (Exodus 3:14).
- b. The Changing God (Search "repent" in King James Version)
  - i. Exodus 32:14 The LORD repented about judgment on calf-worshiping Israelites
  - ii. 2 Samuel 24:16 The LORD repented about destroying Jerusalem
  - iii. Jonah 3:9-10 The LORD repented about destroying Nineveh
- c. The Consistent God
  - i. Grace appears inconsistent (Genesis 3)
  - ii. Grace is the absolute constant (Romans 5:1-2)

#### 2. Inconsistent? A Necessary Thing about Us

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#### My Next Steps

- **Confess your inconsistency:** I Corinthians 13:4-7 describes consistent love. Our inconsistent love toward people reveals our inconsistent love toward our Father.
- Plan for consistency: What is your personal plan to return to the Father's presence? What is your daily plan to repent and hear God's forgiveness? What is your weekly plan?