

BE A BRINGER

"40 One of the two who heard John speak, and followed Him, was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. 41 He first found his own brother Simon, and said to him, 'We have found the Messiah' (which is translated, the Christ). 42 And he brought him to Jesus...." John 1:40-42a

A bringer makes one touch each week by investing and inviting someone to Christ and church.

Name three people you will pray for their salvation this week:

PRAYER REQUESTS FOR THE WEEK

"Moreover, as for me, far be it from me that I should sin against the LORD in ceasing to pray for you;...." I Samuel 12:23a



MISSIONARY OF THE WEEK

Kevin & Pam Barthel | Arizona



PRAISE

- Praise God for three young people who followed the Lord in baptism after the Easter service and for the continued opportunities Kevin and Pam have to share Christ with the Apache people.
- Praise God for his protection and provision in many situations. From Pam's biopsy being benign, to firefighters quickly extinguished a fire just a quarter-mile from the church, and that God has begun sending much-needed rain after months of dry conditions.
- Praise God for 25-30 children attending each night, for the help of Bethel Baptist Church from Tucson, and for children who listened well and learned about Christ as their Redeemer.

PRAY

- Pray for Pam as she continues dealing with health concerns, including chest pain that began after starting a new medication. Thankfully, her tests have been okay so far and a recent biopsy was benign.
- Pray for the young man continuing weekly Bible School classes with Kevin, for the church's youth programs, and especially for the VBS children who heard God's Word. Several are very close to trusting Christ as their Savior.
- Pray that the people of San Carlos would clearly hear and understand the Gospel, turn to Christ, and not be drawn away by the blending of traditional Indian religion and other beliefs.



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Love: Being The Hands & Feet Of Jesus

I John 4:11 is a gentle reminder of the profound love God has for us and the reciprocation of that love through our interactions with one another. It emphasizes the idea that because we have experienced and continue to receive God's love, we should mirror that love by extending it to our fellow human beings. Through this act of loving one another, we not only show gratitude for the love we've been given, but we also create a positive and harmonious community where love and compassion are the guiding principles.

We can love others as God loves us by showing sacrificial and unconditional love. We can also put others' needs and well-being above our own, just as God sent His Son to die for us out of love. This involves being willing to make personal sacrifices, showing kindness, forgiveness, and compassion, and always seeking the best for others.

Furthermore, loving others as God loves us means loving without discrimination or favoritism. God's love is inclusive and embraces all people, regardless of their background, status, or past mistakes. We are called to love others with the same open-heartedness, embracing diversity and extending grace to everyone we encounter. Having a deep understanding of God's love for us ultimately requires us to love others as God loves us. When we fully grasp the depth of God's love and how He has loved us unconditionally, it becomes easier for us to extend that same love to those around us. We can make a positive impact on others and reflect God's love in our interactions with them by allowing His love to flow through us.

Resource: Godsblessing.com

KEY VERSE

I John 4:11 (NKJV)

“Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another”

Read I John 4:7-12 & Galatians 5:22-23 Every Day

WEEKLY READINGS

Monday: I John 4:7a, 11; John 1:12, 3:16; Romans 5:5

Receive God’s Love For You

1. The message of I John 4:11 is abundantly clear! Because *“God so loved us,”* what are we in turn called to do for *“one another?”*
2. How does John 1:12 stand as an example of believers *receiving God’s love? Whom* must we have faith in to receive this love?

Tuesday: I John 4:7b-8; Philippians 3:10; I Thessalonians 3:12

Know God And Grow In Love

3. What does I John 4:7b-8 reveal to us about the *root* of love? Where does love originate from?
4. What is Philippians 3:10 calling us to as believers? How does the statement; *“that I may know Him and the power of His resurrection”* drive our love?

Wednesday: I John 4:9; Romans 5:8; Eph. 2:1; Galatians 6:2

Meet The Needs Of Others...Even When It’s Hard

5. How is “our sin” connected to the statement in I John 4:9 *“that we might live through Him?”*
6. What example is demonstrated through Christ for us in Romans 5:8? How are we to prioritize the needs of others versus our own?

Thursday: I John 4:10, 12; Colossians 3:13-14

Extend Grace To Everyone And Make The Invisible God Visible

7. How does I John 4:10 represent God’s amazing grace upon us as sinners? How has this grace impacted YOUR life? Have you paid it forward?
8. According to Colossians 3:13 how are we called to forgive *“if anyone has a complaint against another?”*
9. What does it mean that *“God abides in us?”* How has *“His love been perfected in us?”* Does God’s love flow through YOU to others? (I Jn. 4:12)

Friday: I John 4:11; Matthew 5:44, 46-47

Choose To Love Unconditionally In Every Situation

10. In I John 4:11 God has set the example for us to follow! What steps can we take to love others as He did?
11. It has been said that if you can love your enemy you have already gained the victory? Do YOU have an enemy you need to love? (Matthew 5:44)
12. What lesson is Matthew 5:46-47 conveying to us about how *far and wide* to spread our love? It is ok to love only those who are close to us?