

Dear Families:

Today in Sunday School, we talked about the message of the prophet Jeremiah. Jeremiah came along hundreds of years after Moses had led the Israelites to freedom. People had forgotten about God. They had stopped listening to God and learning His laws. The Israelites became weak. The Babylonians conquered them and led them away into slavery. The Lord sent Jeremiah to prophesy to the Israelites. Jeremiah told the people that God would engrave His laws on their heart, so that they will nevermore be forgotten. The people will always worship God, and God will always care for His people.

This time is history is full of trials of its own. It sure seems that world has forgotten all about God. We don't seem to see His presence in our communities like we did in the past. People are replacing God with the worship of other things. God wants us back! He loves us, and desires to be the God of our hearts and minds. Join us as we engrave God's commandments on our heart: Love God, Love Others. Then live it. Help make God relevant in the world again today.

This week's Lenten focus is unplugging. We have become slaves, just as the early Israelites did! Our masters today are social media, technology, and the news. While technology can be a massive benefit to mankind, too often it is used to lead us away from God. Don't partake in the temptation this week. Stay off the devices, ignore the news. Make a quiet space in your life, and let God fill it.

The youth had their candle-making day during Winter Break. They made 40 candles to sell, with all proceeds going towards the support of Literacy of Love. We have 23 candles left! The candles are being displayed in Fellowship Hall. They are now on sale for \$3 each. The kids did a great job! Please consider purchasing a candle to support their ministry.

We will also be holding an Easter Egg Hunt immediately after worship service on Easter Sunday. We hope you can join us as we celebrate the risen Lord!

Thank you for joining us today!

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