

# MESSAGE NOTES

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FAMILY VALUES: The Bible  
Luke 1:1-4; 24:13-32, 44-45  
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- Every \_\_\_\_\_ has a set of \_\_\_\_\_ that sets a unique \_\_\_\_\_.
- By \_\_\_\_\_ our values, we can \_\_\_\_\_ more intentionally.

For we did not follow cleverly devised stories when we told you about the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ...but we were eyewitnesses.... 2 Peter 1:16

## WE VALUE THE BIBLE

- For its unique \_\_\_\_\_ & revelation. Mt 4:4; 24:35; Heb 4:12; 2 Pet 1:20-21
- By it, God can \_\_\_\_\_ & make us \_\_\_\_\_. Psalm 119:105; 2 Tim 3:15-17; Col 3:16
- It points us to \_\_\_\_\_ & how to \_\_\_\_\_. Luke 24:27,44; John 5:39-40

## OBJECTIONS TO THE BIBLE

- Some say the Bible \_\_\_\_\_ be \_\_\_\_\_—full of errors. 2 Peter 3:3-5
- NT documents written \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus lived. Luke 1:1-4; 1Cor 15:6
- NT doesn't tell what \_\_\_\_\_ happened. Mark 8:14-21; 14:66-72; 15:34; 16:1-8
- Bible is \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ & no longer \_\_\_\_\_—we've progressed.

Then He opened their minds so they could understand the Scriptures.  
Luke 24:45

## LIVING MORE INTENTIONALLY

- Will I value the Bible enough to \_\_\_\_\_ w/its place in my life?
- Will we value the Bible \_\_\_\_\_ in our \_\_\_\_\_? Acts 17:11-12
- Will we value the Bible \_\_\_\_\_ what God says? James 1:22-25

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# Our 9 Family Values

- **We value the Bible.**  
Because it is God's unchanging Word to us, we seek to submit to His life-giving teaching & authority in every area of our lives, even when it's painful. Psalm 119:105; Matthew 4:4; John 8:31-32; Colossians 3:16; 2 Timothy 3:14-17; 4:2; Hebrews 4:12
- **We value living as God's stewards.**  
Because everything we have belongs to the LORD, we seek to generously give Him our whole lives, and manage well the money, possessions, time, bodies, jobs & relationships He's entrusted to us. Psalm 24:1; Matthew 25:21; Luke 12:48b; 1 Corinthians 4:2; 2 Corinthians 8:1-7; 9:6-12
- **We value right relationships.**  
Because God took the costly initiative to make us right with Him, and because wrong relationships block His Holy Spirit, we seek to be right with others, to build a sense of family and to be a caring community. Matthew 5:23-24; 18:15-18; Mark 11:25; Romans 12:18; Ephesians 3:14-15; 4:2-4; 1 Thessalonians 5:19; Hebrews 12:14-15
- **We value authenticity.**  
Because God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble, we seek to humbly and transparently represent Christ in all we do and say. Matthew 23:5,25-26; Ephesians 5:8-17; Colossians 3:17; 1 Peter 5:5-6; 1 John 1:5-10
- **We value excellence.**  
Because God gave His best for us, we seek to give Him our best, for excellence honors God & inspires people. Eccl 9:10; 2Cor 8:9; 9:15; Col 3:23; 2Tim 2:15
- **We value spiritual hunger.**  
Because we want to be followers of Jesus who never lose the desire to love & worship Him wholeheartedly and know Him better. Psalm 63:1-8; Matthew 5:6; Mark 12:30; John 14:21-24; Ephesians 1:17-19; 1 Peter 2:2-3
- **We value every person serving.**  
Because Jesus didn't come to be served but to serve, and He's given every believer spiritual gifts to glorify God & edify others, we want to give our lives away in His name. Mk 10:42-45; Jn 13:12-17; 1Cor 12:1-31; Eph 4:11-16; Rom 12:3-8; 1Pet 4:10
- **We value those still on the way with Jesus.**  
Because we're called to be His witnesses in this world, we want to lovingly "show and tell" the gospel of Jesus. Matthew 5:13-16; 28:18-20; Luke 19:10; Acts 1:8; Romans 1:16; 1 Peter 3:15-16; 2 Peter 3:9
- **We value prayer.**  
Because prayer is a primary way God works in and through His people, we want to continuously & expectantly call on the name of the LORD. Jeremiah 33:3; 2 Chronicles 7:14; Acts 2:42; Ephesians 3:14-21; 6:18; Colossians 4:2; 1 Thess 5:17; 1 Timothy 2:1-4