



Sermon
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“Xub Nrhiav Vajtswv Ua Ntej”

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Thov txoj koobhmoov, txojkev hlub thiab txojkev haumxeeb pub rau nej sawvdaws los ntawd Vajtswv uas yog peb Leejtxiv uas yog peb tus Cawmseej Tswv Yexus Khetos. Asmees.

1 Vajntxwv 3:5, “At Gibeon the LORD appeared to Solomon in a dream by night, and God said, “Ask what I shall give you – *Nyob rau ntawm Nkipoos tus Tswv los ua npausuav tshwm rau Xalaumoos thaum hmo ntuj, thiab Vajtswv haistias, “Thov koj xav kom kuv muab dabtsi rau koj.”* (ESV) ‘Nov Yog Vajtswv Txojlus.’ (Cross-reference – Mathais 1:20; 2:13, Yauhas 15:7, Teev Npe 12:6, 1 Vajntxwv 9:2; 11:9, 2 Xwmtxheej 1:7)

Illustration “Koj xav tau dabtsi?” (Show dream)



Nej sim uas tibzoo xav saib yog Vajtswv los uas npausuav rau koj thiab hais rau koj tias “Koj xav kom kuv muab dabtsi rau koj, Kuv yuav muab rau koj” Koj xav tau dabtsi? Tau Nyiajtxiag? Tau lub npe nto hmoo lug? Zoo nkauj zoo nraug? Los tau ua nom ua tswv? Yog koj tau li koj xav ntshe koj txoj npausuav yuav zoo tshaj plaws! Tsi muaj hnuv yuav nyuaj siab li! Yog koj tau li koj xav, qhov no puas yuav zoo koj siab? Yog Vajtswv pub txhuayam rau koj li koj lub siab xav tau. Yog koj xav pab leejtwg los xav tau yam twg, thaum uas Vajtswv muab kiag los cob kiag rau koj lawm thaum no koj puas kam pab los koj puas nco qab uas Vajtswv tsaug? Ntaus zaug peb hais tau, tiamsis thaum Vajtswv muab rau peb lawm peb uas tsi tau li peb hais thiab tsi nco txog Vajtswv tej txiajntsig lawm.

I. Nej sim ua tibzoo saib, Vajtswv hais li no rau Xalaumoos. Vajtswv los uas npausuav rau Xalaumoos thiab hais tias, “Ask what I shall give you – *Thov, koj xav kom kuv muab dabtsi rau koj.*” (1 Vajntxwv 3:5) (Show Solomon dream)



Yog li ntawd Xalaumoos xav kom Vajtswv pub dabtsi rau nws? Puas yog nws thov kom nws tau tagnrho tej nyiaj tej kub ntawd Ixayees tebchaws? Nws puas xav kom nws yog ib tus tub rog keej tshaj lwm tus? Nws puas xav kom nws tau tus hluag nkauj uas zoo nkauj tshaj plaws hauv ntiajteb no? “NO! - Tsis Yog,” Xalaumoos thov kom Vajtswv pub li no rau nws, Nws thiaj li haistias “Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, that I may discern between good and evil, for who is able to govern this your great

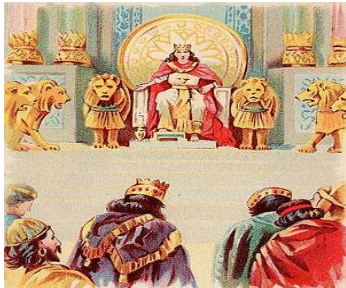
people – *Thov pub tswvyim rau koj tus tubqhe kom paub qhovzoo kav koj haivneeg, kom kuv txawj xaiv qhov zoo thiab qhov phem, kom tus uas paub kav koj haiv neeg uas coob heev li.*” (1 Vajntxwv 3:9) Xalaumoos thov dabtsi no? Xalaumoos xav thov dabtsi los tau tag tiamsis nws thov dabtsi tiag? (Show Solomon wisdom)



Nws thov kom “*Vajtswv pub tswvyim*” rau nws kom nws paub qhovphem qhovzoo thiab paub kav Vajtswv haivneeg mus rau qhov kev ncaincees.” Peb tibneeg ntiajteb xav tias Xalaumoos muab yam uas zoo tshaj plaws los mus povtseg lawm lauj - throw away the opportunity of a lifetime. Nws xav tau dabtsi

los tau tag, tiamsis nws thov kom nws paub qhovphem qhovzoo. Yog li ntawd peb yuav saib ntxiv saib Xalaumoos puas xaiv yog.

Xav li Xalaumoos no zoo kawg lawm tiamsis feem ntau peb tibneeg tsi totaub. Tibneeg yog hais txog saib lawv xav tau dabtsi, Feem ntaus tibneeg yeej xav txog khoom ntiajteb - muaj nyiajtxiag npluasnuj, muaj sia nyob ntev ntev thiab lwm yam. **(Show King Solomon)**



Tiamsis Xalaumoos tsi xav li ntawd. Nws xav txog los ntawd sab ntsujplig. Vim nws xav li no, nws uas haum Vajtswv siab. Vajtswv thiaj li hais rau Xalaumoos tias “Behold, I now do according to your word. Behold, I give you a wise and discerning mind, so that none like you has been before you and none like you shall arise after you. I give you also what you have not asked, both riches and honor, so that no other king shall compare with you, all your days – *Saib seb, Kuv mam ua li koj cov luv. Kuv mam li pub koj muaj kev txawjntse thiab tswvyim zoo, kom tsis muaj leejtwg xub yug los ua neej dua koj thiab tseem yuav yug*

los tomqab koj. Kuv yuav muab yam uas koj tsis tau thov, kev muaj nyiaj npluanuj thiab kev hwm, kom tsis txhob muaj lwmtus vajntxwv piv tau rau koj, tagrho koj tiamneej.” (1 Vajntxwv 3:12-13) **(Who has the most wealth?)**



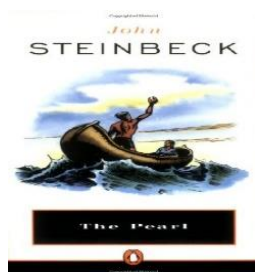
Vajtswv txaus siab heev rau Xalaumoos vim Xalaumoos tsua thov kom nws muaj kev txawj kev ntse, siab ntev thiab txawj tswj Vajtswv haivneeg. Koj tus kheej nes, koj ho xav thov kom koj tau dabtsi? Feem ntaus thaum twg tibneeg tuaj sib tham, tibneeg tsua yog tham txog saib leejtwg muaj nyiaj ntaus tshaj, leejtwg muaj vaj muaj tsev zoo tshaj, leejtwg tau nom tau tswv ua, leejtwg yeej nyiaj ntaus ntawm tej kev twvtxiag twv po? Yog vim li cas Xalaumoos thiaj li tsi xav tau tej no rau nws tus kheej? **(Show Solomon’s wealth)**



Tej zaum Xalaumoos totaub tias, txawm nws tau tagrho tej kub hauv Ixayees tebchaws los nws yeej yuav tsi kajsiab li, thiab yeej tsi muaj nuj nqi dabtsi rau nws. Nej sim saib tomqab Xalaumoos lub neej nws yog tus vajntxwv uas muaj nyiajtxiag npluasnuj tshaj li lwm tus vajntxwv thiab lwmtus tibneeg rau tiam ntawd. Nws thiaj li sau tias, “Kuv muaj tsiaj txhu ntau tshaj li lwm leej lwmtus hauv lub nroog Yeluxalees. Kuv muaj nyiaj muaj kub rau kuv tus kheej thiab muaj vajntxwv kav txhua cheebtsam. Txhua yam uas kuv lub qhov muag pom kuv yeej muaj tag. Tiamsis thaum kuv pom txog tias txhua yam uas kuv txhais

tes khwv tau los kuv twb tsi ntxim tau, txhua yam tsi muaj nuj nqi, nws tsua zoo li koj caum ib nthwv cua qhuav xwb. Txhua yam yeej uas tsi tau uas nyob rau hauv qab lub hnuv.” Xalaumoos no muaj txhua yam tiamsis nws xav tias nws tsi muaj dabtsi li. Tswv Yexus hais tibyam li no thiab, nws haistias, “For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world and forfeits his soul – *Yog tus txivneej twg tau txhua yam hauv ntiajteb tiamsis nws txoj sia twb yuav tus.*” (Mathais 16:26)

II. Muaj ib tug author lub npe hu uas John Steinbeck sau ib zaj dabneeg txog “**The Pearl – Lub Hlaws**” Nyob rau zaj dabneeg no, muaj ib tug txivneej lub npe hu uas Kino, nws tes haujlwm yog (diver) raus mus rau hauv havdej mus nrhiav cov **HLAWS** no. **(Show the Pearl)**

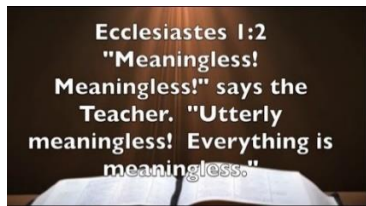


Kino no yog ib tug neeg txomnyem heev. Muaj ib hnuv nws nrhiav tau ib lub hlaws zoo nkauj heev. Nws xav tias zaum no nws txoj kev npuasuav thiab zoo siab tias nws yuav muaj thiab yuav xa tau nws tus tub mus kawm ntawv thiab nws xav yuav yam dabtsi los tau tag. Thaum uas nws koj lub hlaws ntawv koj mus muag, tus uas xav yuav ntawd tseem khuj - ua tsis ncaj ncees rau nws. **(Show story of the Pearl)**



Thaum uas Kino tsis kam muag rau lawv lawm lawv muab nws ntaus, tuaj muab nws lub nkoj uas puas tas, hlawv nws lub vaj lub tsev, thiab thaum kawg lawv muab nws tus tub tua tuag. Thaum uas zaj dabneeg no xaus, Kino thiab nws tus pojniam nkawv taug kev mus rau tom ntug dej - beach, Kino muab lub hlaws pov rov mus rau tom dej hiavtxwv. Koj ntshaw nyiajtxiag, xav kom koj npluasnuj thaum kawg koj tau qhov phem.

Zoo li Xalaumoos, txawm muaj npluasnuj npaum li cas los yeej yuav uas rau koj tsi muaj kev kajsiaib lug. Yog hais tias koj muaj ib qhov “wish - *xav tau*” es koj wish for muaj nyiajtxiag “wealth - *npluasnuj*,” tej thaum koj mus xyua tej lub “nursing home - *Tsev rau cov tibneeg laus nyob*” los tim tej tsev “hospital - *kho mob*.” Thaum koj pom tej tus neeg uas mob pws txomnyem ntsuav ua tsi tau dabtsi lawm, txawm lawv yuav muaj nyiaj npaum li cas los, lawv yuav koj tsi tau tej nyiaj ntawd nrog lawv mus thaum lawv tag simneej. (Show Ecclesiastes 1:2)

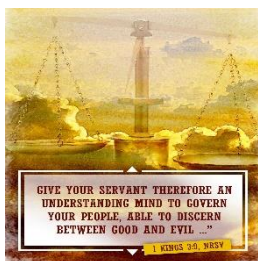


Xalaumoos sau haistias, “Meaningless! Meaningless!” says the Teacher. “Utterly meaningless! Everything is meaningless – *Tsis muaj qabhau, tsis muaj qabhau!*” *tus xibhwb hais li ntawd. Hais lus tsis muaj qabhau! Txhuayam tsis muaj qabhau.*” (Tej lus Qhia 1:2) Yog li ntawd Xalaumoos thiaj li paub tias, koj yuavtsum thov lwm yam uas zoo tshaj khoom ntiajteb uas yog yog xub nrhiv Vajtswv txojkev txawjntse uantej.

Yog koj muaj cais nug Vajtswv kom Vajtswv pub ib yam dabtsi rau koj, koj yuav nug Vajtswv li cas? Tej zaum koj yuav thov kom koj tsi txhob muaj mob muaj nkees, zoo nkauj zoo nraug, tau nom tau tswv, muaj kev txawj kev ntse tshaj lwm leej lwmtus? (Show if you could ask God)



Tej no koj thov nws yeej tsi txhaum yog koj xav txog tej no, tiamsis Tej no puas yuav tseem ceeb hauv koj lub neej. Peb xav pom ntaus tsav ntaus yam hauv peb noobneej, tiamsis peb tsi xav txog tias peb lub neej yav pem ntej yuav zoo li cas. Yog li no, vim li cas Vajtswv tsi los kiag ua npausuav rau koj thiab kuv kom peb nug nws tias saib peb xav tau dabtsi? Tej zaum nws txhob txwm tsi los ua npausuav rau koj thiab kuv vim nws yeej paub lawm tias peb xav tau dabtsi. (Show 1 Kings 3:9)



Xalaumoos thov yog lawm, vim nws tsua thov kom “Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, that I may discern between good and evil, for who is able to govern this your great people – *Thov pub tswvyim rau koj tus tubqhe kom paub qhovzoo kav koj haivneeg, kom kuv txawj xaiv qhov zoo thiab qhov phem, kom tus uas paub kav koj haiv neeg uas coob heev li.*” (1 Vajntxwv 3:9) Txawm qhov no yog ib qhov me me xwb los nws qhia tau rau peb txog Xalaumoos zoo li cas. Xalaumoos xav ua kom haum Vajtswv siab ntaus duas li uas ua haum Xalaumoos siab. Xalaumoos xav kom nws muaj kev txawj kev ntse los mus tswj lub tebhaws uas ib hnuv twg tus Cawmseej

Tswv Yexus Khetos yuav yug los. Xalaumoos xav paub tias kev txhaum no yog dabtsi, nws thiaj li paub txiav txim rau tus uas ua txhaum. Xalaumoos xav paub tias qhov twg yog thiab tsi yog ntawm Vajtswv lub qhov muag, nws thiaj li paub coj nws haivneeg kom lawv txawj uas neej haum Vajtswv siab. Xalaumoos tsi yog ua rau nws tus kheej. Nws txawj ua ntej ntawd nws tus kheej ces tsua yog muab nws tus kheej ua ntej rau ntawm Vajtswv. Xalaumoos tsi teb Vajtswv los rau ntawm txojkev xub uas rau yus ua ntej - tej zaum yuav hais tau tias, “If I do this what do I gets out of it – *yog kuv uas no kuv ho tau dabtsi?*” tiamsis Kuv yuav ua li cas Vajtswv thiaj li tau koob meej. Koj puas tau ua haum Vajtswv siab? (Show Matthew 6:33)

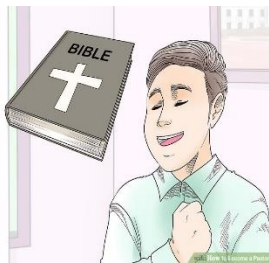


Thaum uas Vajtswv hais rau Xalaumoos saib Xalaumoos xav thov dabtsi, Nws thov los rau ntawd sab ntsujplig tsi yog thov kom tau khoom ntiajteb. Xalaumoos uas raws nraim li Tswv Yexus haistias, “But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well – Koj yuav tsum nrhiv Vajtswv lub tebhaws ua ntej.” (Mathais 6:33). (Show King Solomon)

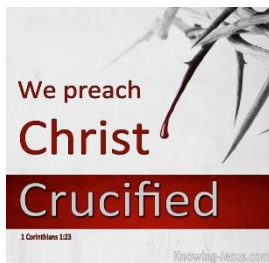


Thaum uas Vajtswv haistias nws xav tau dabtsi los tau tag, Xalaumoos xub nrhiav Vajtswv lub tebchaws ua ntej. Nws thiaj li hais “You have shown great kindness to your servant, my father David, because he was faithful to you and righteous and upright in heart. You have continued this great kindness to him and have given him a son to sit on his throne this very day. “Now, LORD my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David. But I am only a little child and do not know how to carry out my duties. Your servant is here among the people you have chosen, a great people, too numerous to count or number....*Thov pub tswvyim rau kuv kom kuv paub qhovphem qhovzoo, thiab paub kav koj haivneeg mus rau qhov ncajnnees... Koj yeej hlub kuv txiv Daviv uas yog koj tus tubqhe heev. nws muaj lub siabdawb siabzoo, ua neeg ncajnnees thiab muab siab npuab koj...Tus Tswv uas yog Vajtswv es, nimno koj tsa kuv ua vajntxwv hloov kuv txiv chaw. Txawm yog kuv tseem hluas, thiab tsis muaj tswvyim txaus tswj tebchaws los koj pom zoo tsa kuv ua vajntxwv.*” (1 Vajntxwv 3:6-8). Yog Vajtswv pub kom peb thov nws, peb puas yuav thov kom peb tau Vajtswv lub tebchaw ua ntej hauv peb lub neej?

III. Lub ntiajteb no, noob neej tsi totaub li. Yog peb thov li no, peb yuav tsum xub tuaj church ua ntej peb xaiv mus kev lomzem, los yog kev nyob tomtsev tsi ua dabtsi. **(Show person want to become a pastor)**



Peb xum nyeem Vajlug Kub, tsi txhob saib tej TV ua dog ua dig uas tsi muaj qab haus. Yog koj xub xaiv Vajtswv lub tebchaws, koj ua haum Vajtswv siab. Muaj ob tus phoojywg tuaj mus kawm “Tsev kawm ntawv qhia xibhwb - seminary” uake. Ib tus tham txog tias “nws niam nws txiv txaus siab thiab txhawb nws txoj kev uas tuaj mus kawm ua xibhwb. Lawv xav tias qhov no yog ib qho uas zoo kawg nkaus” Ib tug ho haistias, “Nws lub “tsev neeg - family” tsi pom zoo. Nws niam nws txiv, nws cov tijlaug lawv tsua thuum nws thiab hais tias ua li cas nws xav los uas xibhwb? Nws tsev neeg muab nws saib zoo nkaus li tus qhua, Tus sab nraud vim lawv tsev neeg yog tsev neeg muaj laj kam ua zoo. Nws txiv thiab nws cov tijlaug lawv yog cov nais saib lwmtus. Thaum uas nws qhia nws tsevneeg tias nws yuav mus kawm ua xibhwb, lawv cem nws tias “What a stupid choice for a career- Koj xaiv txoj dejnum yuamkev lawm” There’s no money in that - ua xibhwb koj yeej tsi muaj nyiaj” You gonna waste all those years in school for wha t- Koj xiam koj lub sijhawm los mus kawv ntawv ua dabtsi” To work every weekend - koj tsua uas dejnum txhua txhua lub limtiam cov hnuv so xwb.” Nws tsevneeg tsi pom tias nws xub nrhiav Vajtswv lub tebchaws ua ntej. Nws tsevneeg tsua pom tias Vajtswv lub tebchaws yog Foolishness-Tsi tseemceeb.” **(Crucified)**



Tus Thwjitm Paulus sau Vajtswv txojlus uas qhia txog ntawm tus ntoo khaublig yog ruam lawm rau cov uas poob rau txoj kev txhaum, tsis paub Vajtswv thiab tsis totaub Vajluskub li tiamsis rau peb cov uas ntseeg Vajtswv yog cawm tau peb yog los ntawd Vajtswv lub hwjchim. “Tiamsis peb qhia zaj uas Yexus Khetos raug ntsia rau saum ntoo khaublig. Zaj ntawd ua rau cov neeg Yudais tsi nyiam, thiab ua rau lwm haivneeg thuum hais tias, yog zaj tsi tseemceeb. Tiamsis Vajtswv pom zoo xaiv tej uas neeg suav hais tias, tsis tseemceeb kom cov neeg uas muaj tswvyim txajmuag. Thiab Vajtswv xaiv tej uas neeg suav hais tias, tsis muaj hwjchim kom cov neeg uas muaj hwjchim poob ntsejmuag.” (1 Kaulethaus 1:23, 27). **(Show Matthew 6:33)**



Paulus, Xalaumoos, nrog rau koj thiab rau kuv paub lawm tias yog peb nrhiav txoj kev hauv ntiajteb no kom peb zoo nkauj zoo nraug los muaj nyiajtxiag npluasnuj kom peb tau txoj kev kajsiab lug ces peb nrhiav yuamkev lawm. Peb yuavtsum xub **“Nrhiav Vajtswv lub tebchaws ua ntej.”** Thaum no peb thiaj li yuav tau txoj kev kajsiab thiab tsi muaj kev txhawj xeeb li lawm. Peb paub tias yog peb ua neej kom haum rau lub ntiajteb no, peb ua neej yuamkev lawm. Tiamsis peb yuav tsum ua lub neej npaj rau lub neej uas peb tseem yuav tau rau yav pem ntej. Txawm peb ua neej yuamkev lawm los vim twb muaj

Tswv Yexus uas tau los qhia rau peb tias peb yuav tsum muab peb txoj kev ntseeg thiab kev cia siab tso tagrho rau ntawd nws. Nws twb xub hlub peb lawm. Peb yuav tsum xub nrhiav Vajtswv ua ntej peb mam li nrhiav lwmyam.

Children Message

In My Father's House



Theme: It is important for us to be in our Father's house.
Object: TV remote, a book, car keys - any item we might easily misplace.
Scripture: "Why were you searching for me?" he asked. "Didn't you know I had to be in my Father's house?" Luke 2:49 (NIV)

Have you ever misplaced something? Of course you have. We have all done that, haven't we? Perhaps we were reading a book and put it down and then later couldn't remember where we put it. Maybe we were watching television and couldn't remember where we put the remote control. I have even put my coffee cup in the microwave oven and later couldn't remember where it was. What do we do when we misplace something? We usually retrace our steps to all of the places we have been until we find it.

Our Bible lesson today is about some parents who misplaced something. Now, these weren't just any parents - it was Mary and Joseph - the parents of Jesus. Mary and Joseph didn't misplace something like a book or some keys. They misplaced Jesus! Here is how it happened.

Mary and Joseph went to Jerusalem every year for the Feast of the Passover. When Jesus was twelve years old, they went up to Jerusalem just as they always did. After Passover, they began their journey home, but Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem. Joseph and Mary didn't know it. They thought he was with some friends or family members who were traveling with them. After they had gone a day's journey, they began to look for Jesus among their relatives and friends, but he wasn't there. When they couldn't find him, they decided to return to Jerusalem to look for him. After searching for three days, they finally found him. Guess where he was? He was in the temple, sitting in the middle of the teachers, both listening to them, and asking them questions. When Mary and Joseph saw him, they were astonished. His mother asked him, "Son, why have you treated us this way? Your father and I were anxiously looking for you."

Jesus answered, "Why were you looking for me? Didn't you know that I must be in my Father's house?" You see, even as a child, Jesus knew that he must follow the path that his Father had laid out for him, and at that moment, the most important place for him to be was in his Father's house.

Sometimes you and I may lose Jesus. We get so busy in our daily routine that we never give him a thought. Then, one day we realize that he is missing. Do you know what we need to do when that happens? We need to retrace our steps and go back to the place we left him. Where do we usually find him? In his Father's house! Jesus said it was important for him to be in his Father's house. It is also important for you and me to be in his Father's house. Why? Because His Father's house is our Father's house too! It is a house of worship, a house of prayer, a house of peace, a house of love, a house of joy. What better place could there be for a child of God than to be in the Father's house?

Prayer: Dear Father, we have come into your house today to worship you. Help us to remember that there is no better place for your children to be than to be in your house. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

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Jesus In the Temple Coloring Page



After three days they found him in the temple courts, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. Luke 2:46

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