



Sermon
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“Xaiv Txojhia Losyog Xaiv Kev Tuag”

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

Kevcai 30:19 “This day I call the heavens and the earth as witnesses against you that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Now choose life, so that you and your children may live – *Nimno kuv cia nej xaiv saib nej yuav txojhia lossis yuav kev tuag, nej yuav tej lus foom koobhmoov lossis tej lus foom tsis zoo; kuv thov lub ntuj lub teb nrog ua timkhawv rau tej uas hnuv no nej xaiv. Nej cia li xaiv txojhia, nej thiab nej tej xeebntxwv thiaj muajhia nyob.*” Nov yog Vajtswv Txojlus. (Cross reference – Chivkeeb 2:17, Kevcai 4:1, 6, 26; 11:26; 30:1, 16; 31:28, Yelemis 21:8)

Illustration “Choose” (Show bag of money, toy, car, and airplane)



Peb ua neej nyob peb muaj kev xaiv txhua hnuv hauv peb lub neej. Peb twb xaiv ntau yam tagkig sawvntxov no lawm. Xws li peb xaiv txog txojkev sawv, hnav ristsho, caij tsheb tuaj hawm Vajtswv ntawm Vajtswv lub tuamtsev. Nej ibtxhia twb xaiv

lawm haistias, xyov nej yuav mloog txojlus qhuabqhia hnuvno losyog tsis mloog. Yog kuv nug koj haistias, “Koj yuav nyiaj \$100.00 duaslus losyog yuav tus toy? Tus laus yuav xaiv daim nyiaj \$100.00, tiamsis tus menyuum yaus yuav xaiv tus toy. Yog kuv nug koj haistias, “Koj yuav xaiv lub “tsheb – car” losyog lub “tsheb davlaug – airplane?” Koj yuav xaiv lub tsheb vim koj tsis paub tsav lub tsheb davlaug. Tiamsis yog koj ua tibzoo saib, koj yuavtsum xaiv qhov uas muaj nqis duus. Zoo li daim nyiaj \$100.00 koj yuav coj mus yuav tau ntau tus toys. Lub tsheb davlaug yuav mus tau lwm qhovchaw sai duus li lub tsheb thiab yog koj coj mus muag yuav tau ntau tshaj lub tsheb. Yog li ntawd, koj yuav xaiv qhovtwg thiaj li yuav zoo? Txojkev xaiv khoom nyob rau ntiajkeb no muaj ntau yam. Tej yam uas yus xaiv yuav zoo thiab kav ntev mus ibtxhis. Tej yam yus xaiv kav tibpliag xwb nws txawm siv puas tag lawm. Txawm koj yuav xaiv yam zoo yam tsis zoo yam me losyog yam loj. Txhuayam uas koj xaiv ntawd nws yuav zoo thiab tsis zoo rau koj mus tas koj tiamneej. Vajtswv Txojlus qhia rau peb haistias, peb yuavtsum tau xaiv txojhia losyog xaiv kev tuag hauv peb lub neej. Koj yuav xaiv txojkev twg?

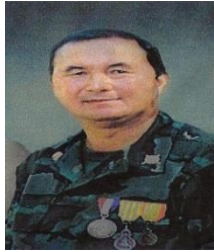
I. Nyob rau ntawm Kevcai Vajtswv txojlus qhia kom peb yuavtsum tau xaiv ib txojkev. Thaum Mauxes coj haiv tibneeg Yixalayeas tom tiaj suabpuam ntev ntau lub xyoo, nws laus thiab thaum nws yuav tag simnej, Mauxes thiaj li qhia kom haiv tibneeg Yixalayeas yuavtsum txawj xaiv qhovzoo uas yog “txojhia” tsis txhob xaiv qhov phem uas yog “txojkev tuag.” (Show Moses)



Mauxes thiaj li haistias, “This day I call the heavens and the earth as witnesses against you that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Now choose life, so that you and your children may live – *Nimno kuv cia nej xaiv saib nej yuav txojhia lossis yuav kev tuag, nej yuav tej lus foom koobhmoov lossis tej lus foom tsis zoo; kuv thov lub ntuj lub teb nrog ua timkhawv rau tej uas hnuv no*

nej xaiv. *Nej cia li xaiv txojisia, nej thiab nej tej xeebntxwv thiaj muajisia nyob.*” (Kevcai 30:19)

Vajtswv txojlus qhia kom koj thiab kuv yuavtsum xaiv txojisia loyog xaiv kev tuag. Peb tibneeg feem ntau yuav teb kiag haistias, “Kuv xum xaiv txojisia.” Kuv txiv “Major Txajkim Yaaj” tau haistias, **(Show Major Txajkim Yaaj)**



“Tibneeg xav muaj tsis xav pluag, xav ciaj tsis xav tuag.” Wow! Thaum koj hnov li no lawm, tibneeg puas yog xav li ntawd tiag? Yes! Tibneeg yeej xav kom nws muaj xwb nws yeej tsis xav pluag vim nws xav tau qhov zoo, xav ua lub neej zoo, xav muaj nyiaj muaj txiaj kom tsis muaj kev txhawjxeeb ntxhovplawv dabtsi li. Yuav mus qhovtwg los mus kiag, yuav ua dabtsi los rho kiag nyiaj los mus siv tsis txhawj li. Lolus “xav ciaj tsis xav tuag” yog txhais li cas tiag thiab. Tibneeg xav kom muaj sia nyob mus ibtxhis tsis muaj hnuv tuag li. Yus niam yus txiv, yus tej

txheeb tej ze thaum lawv muaj mob yuav tuag los thaum nej mus xyua lawv, nej yeej haistias, xav kom lawv nrog yus nyob ntev ntev mus. Tus tibneeg uas raug mob loj los nws yeej haistias, “Kuv tsis tau xav tuag.” Txawm peb xav ua tus muaj los peb yuavtsum xaiv – Yus yuavtsum tau mus khwv, mus kawm, siv Vajtswv txoj koobhmoov uas Nws pub rau yus mus ua tiag, yus thiaj li yuav muaj. Hais txog ntawm kev tuag, peb txhuatus yeej khiav tsis dim nyob rau lub ntiajteb no li.

II. Yog koj tsis nrhiav txojisia uas yog ntseeg Tswv Yexus Khetos, ces thaum koj ncaim lub ntiajteb no, koj yuav raug mus rau ntujtawg. **(Show Hell)**



Ntujtawg zoo li cas? Vajtswv txojlus qhia haistias, ntujtawg yog rau cov ntsujplig uas ua phem, yog cub hluavtaws uas cig kublug, tej hluavtaws cig tsi paub tuag, ntujtawg yog lub chaw uas tibneeg tom hniav qees, tsis muaj chaw so, yog lub chaw uas cov raug txim mus nyob, yog lub chaw uas puamtsuaj, yog lub chaw uas raug cais ntawm Vajtswv, yog lub chaw uas nyob tsau ntujnti, yog lub chaw uas pas dej kub thiab yog lub chaw raug kev txomnyem mus ibtxhis. **(Show heaven)**



Losyog koj xaiv txojisia thiab mus nyob saum ntujceebtsheej. Ntuj ceeb zoo li cas? Vajtswv Txojlus qhia haistias, ntujceebtsheej yog lub chaw uas zoo tshajplaws, txhua txojkev puavleej siv kub los pua, ntujceebtsheej yog lub chaw tsis muaj mob, tsis muaj kev tuag, tsis los kuasmuag, tsis muaj kev quajntsuaq, ntujceebtsheej yog lub chaw uas dim txojkev txhaum thiab yog lub chaw uas tau txojkev kajsia lug nrog Vajtswv nyob mus ibtxhis thiab ibtxhis. Cov kwvtij hlub ntawm Tswv Yexus Khetos, koj yuav xaiv txojisia losyog xaiv kev tuag? Mauxes

haistias, “Today you have a choice – choose life for blessing or choose death for curse – *hnuvno koj muaj cai xaiv – xaiv txojisia rau txojkev tau koobhmoov losyog xaiv txojkev tuag rau txojkev raug foom tsis zoo.*” **(Show bad inside)**



Tibneeg coob tus xav haistias nws xaiv txojisia ntawm tej khoom ntiajteb yuav coj tau txojkev kajsia los rau nws lub neej yog tsis muaj leejtwg paub haistias nws ua dabtsi. Muaj ibtug txivneej haistias nws yog tus ntseeg Vajtswv. Nws muaj pojniam thiab muaj peb tug menyua. Niajmo nws mus haus cawv ib lub khw dhau ib lub khw. Thaum txog cov caij limtiam, nws mus nrog nws cov phoojywg

nyob tsheej hmo tsis los tsev. Tej thaum nws tseem mus tham hluasnkauj kom zoo nws siab thiab. Yog haistias koj saib tus tibneeg coj li no, koj puas yuav hais tau haistias nws xaiv txojkev tuag losyog xaiv

txojisia? Yog haistias tus txivneej no tseem coj txojkev txhaum li no thiab tsis lees nws tej kev txhaum ntawd thiab tig rov los ua zoo, koj xav haistias nws yuav tau mus ntujtawg losyog ntujceebtsheej? Sab nraud nws yuav ua tus tibneeg zoo rau lwmtus pom tiamsis nyob rau sab hauv, nws lub neej ua txhaum Vajtswv tej kevcai thiab nyob tsau ntujnti. Nov zoo li lub txiv uas saib sab nraud ntxim qab kawg tiamsis thaum muab phua hlo sab hauv twb lwj tag lawm. **(Show picture of hell)**

III. Yog koj xaiv txojkev tuag, nov yog tsis mloog Vajtswv lus – mus ua kev txhaum tsis lees tej kev



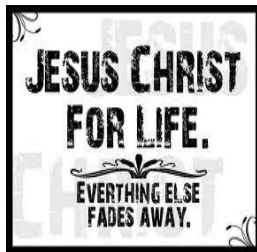
txhaum ntawd, hawm lwmtus vajtswv – mlom, pojkoob yawmtxiv tej ntsujplig, thiab tsis ntseeg thiab cia siab rau tus tseem Vajtswv uas yog Tswv Yexus Khetos. Qhov no yog koj xaiv txojkev tuag uas mus rau ntujtawg teb. Peb yuav ua li cas peb thiaj li xaiv tau txojisia? Yexus haistias, “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. – *Kuv yog txojkev, yog qhovtseeb, thiab yog txojisia. Tsis muaj leejtwg mus cuag tau Leejtxiv, tsuas yog mus ntawm kuv mus xwb.*” (Yauhas 14:6) Yexus hais ntxiv haistias, “...I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full. – *Kuv los nej thiaj li muaj txojisia, thiab muaj kom puvnpo.*” (Yauhas 10:10) **(Show Decision?)**



Toxjkev txiavtxim rau ntawm txojkev xaiv txog txojisia thiab kev tuag yeej tsis nyuaj li. Mauxes thiaj li samhwm kom cov Yixalayees yuavtsum txawj xaiv. Nws lolus kawg thiaj li haistias, “and that you may love the LORD your God, listen to his voice, and hold fast to him. For the LORD is your life, and he will give you many years in the land he swore to give to your fathers, Abraham, Isaac and Jacob - *thiab koj thiaj paub hlub tus Tswv uas yog koj tus Vajtswv, mloog nws lub suab, thiab tuav rawv nws. Vim tus Tswv yog koj txojisia, thiab nws muab txojisia nyob ntev hauv lub tebchaws uas tus Tswv tau coglus tseg rau nej yawgkoob Anplahas, Ixaj thiab Yakhauj lawm.*” (Kevcai 30:20) **(Show a men sitting in jail)**



Muaj ib zaj keebkwm qhia txog ibtug xibhwb tus phoojywg lub neej zoo li cas. Thaum nws mus qhuabqhia tom tsev lojcuj tag nws pom nws ibtug phoojywg nrog cov tibneeg raug kaw tsev lojcuj. Tomqab nws qhuabqhia tag lawm, tus xibhwb no mus nrhiav tus txivneej no. Thaum tus xibhwb nrhiav tau tus txivneej no lawm tus txivneej no hais rau xibhwb haistias, “Xibhwb, kuv tseem nco koj zoo kawg. Thaum wb tseem yog menyuam yau, wb nyob tib lub zos, mus kawm tib lub tsev kawm ntawv thiab koom tib lub rooj zaum tej lub sijhawm. Tiamsis thaum kuv muaj 14 xyoo, koj los ntseeg Vajtswv thiab koj mus ua Vajtswv tes dejnum. Kuv tsis kam mus ntseeg Vajtswv tiamsis kuv xum mus ua kev txhaum thiab ua li lub ntiajteg ua. Tamsimno, koj muaj koob nto npe qhia Txojmoozoo, kuv ces tsua yog tus tibneeg raug pov sab nraud. Kuv twb raug kaw tau 10 xyoo lawm thiab kuv lub txim tseem yog raug kaw mus tag kuv tiamneej. *(Florida Baptist Witness)* **(Show Jesus Christ for life)**



Cov kwvtij ntawm Tswv Yexus Khetos, koj yeej paub haistias, “No mean No and Yes mean Yes – *Tsis yog tsis yog, yog ces yog*” rau ntawm txojkev xaiv txojisia losyog xaiv kev tuag. Xaiv txojisia yog hlub Vajtswv. Xaiv txojisia yog ua raws li Vajtswv tej lus samhwm. Xaiv txojisia yog ua lawv li Vajtswv tej nqi kevcai haistias, “Love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might – *Hlub koj tus Tswv uas yog koj tus Vajtswv kawg siab thiab tagnrho koj tus ntsujplig thiab tagnrho koj lub zog.*” (Kevcai 6:5) Yog li ntawd cia li xaiv txojisia ntawm Tswv Yexus Khetos, vim Yexus Khetos yog txojisia. Asmees. Thov kom Vajtswv txojlus pub rau peb sawvdaws totaub thiab tau nyob kajsiab lug rau ntawm Tswv Yexus Khetos lub npe. Peb txhuatus uas yog Vajtswv cov menyuam peb sawvdaws hais. Asmees.

Children Message

Forgiving and Forgiven



Theme: Forgiving and forgiven

Object: Offering envelope or \$5 bill, Construction paper heart, Washable marker that contrasts with the heart, Contact paper or laminator, Small tub of soapy water OR wet paper towel or wipes

Scripture: “So if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother has something against you, leave your gift there before the altar and go. First, be reconciled to your brother, and then come and offer your gift.” (Matthew 5:23-24). (ESV)

(Cut out a construction paper heart. Then laminate it or cover it with Contact paper, trimming the edges to just around the heart.)

I'm sure you all know what this is. *(Hold up your offering envelope.)* It is my offering envelope. Every week I bring an offering as a gift to God - it is a very important part of our worship. Most of you have probably brought your offering today too. Many places in the Bible teach us the importance of presenting an offering to God, but the truth is that God is more interested in what's in our hearts than He is in what's in our hands. *(Show kids the heart.)*

In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus said, “If you are presenting your offering to God and you remember that you have said something that hurt another person, leave your gift at the altar and go and ask forgiveness from that person. Then come back and offer your gift to God.”

Before we give our offering today, perhaps we should ask ourselves a few questions. Have I been angry with someone this week? *(Scribble on the heart.)* Have I had any arguments lately? *(Scribble on the heart.)* Have I called someone a bad name? *(Scribble on the heart.)* Have I said something about someone that wasn't true? *(Scribble on the heart.)*

What happened to our hearts? *(Allow responses.)*

If we have hurt someone, we should ask God to forgive us, and we should go to the person we have hurt and ask them to forgive us. *(Wipe the scribbles off the heart.)* When we have done that, God will be pleased with our hearts and with our offering. Jesus Christ loves us so much that he came, give himself, and die on the cross to save the world so that we can be blameless in God's sight. God is pleased with what Jesus has done. When we give our hearts to believe and trusting Jesus Christ, God is pleased with us.

Pray: Dear God, sometimes we say things in anger that hurt other people. Help us to guard against hateful and hurtful words and forgive us as we ask those we have hurt to forgive us as well. In Jesus' name, we pray, amen.

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