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UPCOMING EVENTS AND NEWS

TIME LAB VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL — July 23 to July 26, 5:00 to 8:00 pm

Wouldn't it be amazing to travel back in time and witness epic historical events? Imagine the thrill of meeting great heroes of the faith like Abraham, Moses, or Gideon. Or the fun of experiencing life in ancient cultures like Rome. Or the fascination of watching famous inventors make discoveries that change the world.

We'll do just that as we embark on Time Lab. Time sure will fly while we're having fun. So head this way and get ready to launch into hyperdrive as we take off for Time Lab! Let's go! Sign your kids up now for a fun week of games, activities, food, and discovery! Meals will be served at 5:00 p.m. nightly.

ALL WORSHIP SUNDAY + POTLUCK LUNCH — Sunday, July. 30, 10:00 am

There are five Sundays this month, which means it is time for another all-worship Sunday! Join us for a nothing-but-worship service with a potluck lunch following. Please bring a dish to share.

Since it's summertime and our facilities are limited, please consider bringing light lunch items. Store-bought chips and dip, fried chicken, bread rolls, pre-made sandwiches, fruit salad, charcuterie cheeses and meats, and veggie trays are some suggestions.

What a day: passionate worship along with good food and fellowship! We absolutely cannot wait!

TRAMPOLINES IN CONCERT: THE WAKE UP TOUR — Friday, August 18, 7:00 pm

Trampolines is a Christian multi-genre husband and wife duo. Married on a trampoline, touring the world, and going on missions into Syria, North Korea, Myanmar, China, Ukraine, and more. Lane and Cary are musicianaries using Jesus-forward pop, hip-hop, rock, and EDM to speak the language of their generation. Their live show feels cinematic, with unique instruments, fire, stunts, and high-energy crowd interaction. They view every live show as an opportunity for ministry and prayer with fans. A free-will offering will be taken. For more information, visit www.laneandcary.com or www.trampolinesofficial.com.

LIVING LOGOS MINISTRIES — Sunday, August 20

Special guests, Rod and Jenni with Living Logos, will be sharing a dramatic illustration of the book of James. We can't wait for you to be blessed by their love of God's Word and His church!

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

There are many options available to serve here at Destiny. We currently need people to help with media, building maintenance, painting, landscaping, library organization, nursery, and various computer tasks. If you are interested, contact Pastor Valerie: valerie@destiny4square.org.

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MESSAGE NOTES

7.23.23 | JAMES, Part 3: The Lie That Leads

WHAT COMES WITH EVERY TRIAL

Let no one say when he is tempted, "I am being tempted by God," for God cannot be tempted with evil, and he himself tempts no one. But each person is tempted when he is lured and enticed by his own desire. Then desire when it has conceived gives birth to sin, and sin when it is fully grown brings forth death.

Do not be deceived, my beloved brothers. Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. Of his own will he brought us forth by the word of truth, that we should be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures.

James 1:13-18 ESV

Every trial will bring with it a _____.

_____ circumstances can drive us to make _____ decisions.

WHERE DOES TEMPTATION COME FROM?

God will allow you to be in difficulty to _____ you, not to destroy you.

James does not point to an external tempter, but to an internal _____.

The word "lured" is about the mind's _____. And "enticed", to stirring the heart's _____.

What you think about is what you _____ about. And what you care about you will _____.

- Do not _____ everything that you think.

RESPONDING TO THE LIE THAT LEADS

Look downstream and see the _____.

"If I engage in this, where will it lead me? If I jump in this boat, where will this stream go? And is that a place I want to be?"

James says that _____ is the lie that leads us.

- It is easier to transgress a _____ deity than to hurt a loving God.
- *"The root of addiction is feeling _____ and _____."*
— Dr. Patrick Carnes

Switch _____. Stop looking to broken things to satisfy. Go to your heavenly Father.

HOW DO WE KNOW GOD LOVES US?

God is pleased with His _____, simply because you are His!

One of the greatest gifts He has given us is _____.