Dear Family Whose Faith Is Not In Vain,

The resurrected King is real so faith in Him and His work is useful. Everyday, we get to worship Him by living with Him. Everyday, we can spend time in His Word, and all-day our life can be "in Him." This is the Christian life. Jesus is the crucified, risen King, and we are His followers...abiding in Him.

1 Corinthians 15:12 Now if Christ is preached, that He has been raised from the dead, how do some among you say that there is no resurrection of the dead? 13 But if there is no resurrection of the dead, not even Christ has been raised; 14 and if Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is vain, your faith also is vain. 15 Moreover we are even found to be false witnesses of God, because we testified against God that He raised Christ, whom He did not raise, if in fact the dead are not raised. 16 For if the dead are not raised, not even Christ has been raised; 17 and if Christ has not been raised your faith is worthless; you are still in your sins.

Obviously, we have not been able to get out much. BUT I am thankful to Jesus Christ that many of you have been loving your neighbors (with respect to social distancing) and loving people in our community devastated by the tornado. I wanted to share with you a tool developed for this particular season that we are in. It is connected to the group that Pastor Jake brought to our attention with an emphasis on neighboring. You can find other good resources on this site still.

https://www.artofneighboring.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/COVID-19-Neighboring-Toolkit.pdf

We'll continue in Psalm 23 with a video format for congregational worship in song and congregational teaching. It is good news that we are past the peak in our country because of the social distancing efforts. I want to thank each of you for honoring the King by honoring our city, county, state and national leaders. Please pray to personally have a healthy walk with God. Pray for our congregation to be "one" in which many members have a healthy walk with God. Pray for the globe in the midst of this pandemic. Pray for Unreached People Groups to find a relationship with Jesus Christ in all of this. Pray for a great awakening in the United States of America.

Thankful for the Faithful Resurrected King, Pastor Stan

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