

6 Days
City Life Church
June 6, 2020

Opening

-Shout out to Vanessa...June is 3 years on staff

Introduction

-Anyone else ever thought about how hard it was for Jesus to wait 30 years to start His ministry of saving the world?

-what kind of self-control did that take?

-did He fails some tests on purpose in school?

-did He do the Jedi hand trick to get more dessert?

-yes, practical age of a Rabbi (explain)

-The same world that broke His heart at 30 was the same world He lived in at 10, 15, 20...29! (lepers, Synagogue services, funerals...Jesus telling disciples around the campfire?)

-Mark 3:21

(we know He waited because of His family's reaction to Him!)

-And for some of you here today, it's your time. It's your time to take a stand against racism, against the systems that continue to oppress people of color, and attitudes that degrade, belittle, and demean marginalized people.

-John 12:1

- Not just an historical marker
- It is a reminder to us about the brevity of life
- When we get to six days lets not regret HOW we fought for justice
- Jesus fought the biggest battle in history and had no regrets
- John 12 gives us 3 things to remember as battle for good over evil!

Am I...

-Am I adding to people's reasons to not believe in Jesus and His Church?

-John 12:37

-Titus 1:16

-(explain moral high ground false summit)

-Matthew 18:6

Am I...

-Am I causing people to hide who know something about Jesus that others need to know? **(silence is more contagious than the Corona Virus)**

-during the Holocaust...

- 5 million ethnic minorities
- 6 million Jews
- 11 million people murdered (NYC 8 million, NJ 9 million, LA 4)

-Too many Christians remained silent, they didn't say "This is not Jesus."

-Matthew 7:21-23

-Looting isn't just in stores and buildings, when we refuse to stand up for people who are being marginalized and disenfranchised we are looting the moral warehouse of our collective societal conscience.

Am I...

-Am I forgetting what's at stake?

-Revelation 20:15

-Greg Gilbert book, "What Is The Gospel?"

-So now we know 6 Days is a prophetic picture for all of us being at our end...but it is also a promise that Day 7 is ultimate spiritual Sabbath waiting for us...do you know where you will be, do you have a reservation?

Communion

-John 2:17

-Are you consumed by a passion for God's House, which is Jesus' Church?

-None of us are free to stop going to a church because we don't like what we've found in the past. We are obligated to be a part of making it better.

-The element...

- Wafer, His body broken for us.
- Juice, His blood shed for the remission of sin.

-Reconciled to God, Born into His family, Called to His Church!