

## KIDS MESSAGE HIGHLIGHTS

2019.10.20 Search and Switch (Part 2) – Ps John (Wtb combined service)

**READ:** Genesis 3:2-5 (AMPC)

**Pursue God:** God has placed in me a desire to search for more of Him. The strongest desire inside of me is for my heart to be filled with God - His love, His presence, His life. Jesus is the way of full life and He wants me to pursue Him.

**Plan of the enemy:** The enemies plan is to take my desire to search for God, cheat, lie, use and talk me into choosing something else that might look like a better option. Those choices become destructive patterns in my life. The enemy shows me that it's okay to compromise by wanting me to see the way other people choose to live, he makes it look like it doesn't really hurt and harm them. Of course, he never shows me the end result - downfall

**Afraid of being hurt:** If I'm afraid of being hurt by people then I let God change me so that I no longer live by fear. I live by the confidence that is in God. God has designed relationships to be something wonderful for me - including my relationship with Him. If I want to change something in relationships, I've got to change what is happening between God and I. There is nothing I can do in my own strength to close the gap between God and I. I allow Jesus in me, to pursue God. Jesus gives me the desire to search for Him and close the gap between us.

**Doing something wrong:** When I'm doing something wrong, I can be very certain that there is nothing that I can do that is big enough to separate me from God. God's whole world is designed to close the gap with me and have fellowship with me. I don't let my personality keep me back from coming to God. He has already paid the price so that I don't have to feel bad and try to be good before coming back to Him. It is not God who's trying to make me feel bad about myself, it's the devil who is using the thing that God placed inside of me to search for God, to make me feel bad.

**God's Help:** God wants to help me with everything to live that higher life. I get rid of bad habits by the strength of God - my most personal Helper. I access the life of God to help me and His life gets so big on the inside of me that it overcomes every bad habit. That is how I live with God. I go to God and let Him help me with the stuff I'm trying to get rid of.

**Search and Switch:** God has put that search inside of me so that I can switch from those things that are trying to take me into the world's system. I count on Jesus all the time, every time, in everything. He's got me covered and my back even when I fail.

**Pray this prayer:** *Jesus, with this simple prayer I ask You, to come and just be real to me. Come show Yourself as my Saviour, as my Helper, the Life Giver. I thank You, Lord, that from this day onwards, I'm going to live with You, I'm going to live in that help that You've given me and I'm going to do the best that I can, just to connect with You every day. I thank You for that Lord, in Jesus' Name. Amen*

**I connect with Jesus:** I just connect with Jesus more than I've done before - it changes my life. It doesn't matter what happens to me, God heard my prayer, He's with me, He's not quitting on me. He wants to help me and strengthen me. He wants to be Lord to me. God is so personal about His walk with me and my walk with Him.

