Pastor Brandon Sales • September 16-17, 2023 • Fill-In Online Bulletin Genesis 2:1-18 (English Standard Version)

¹Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of them. ²And on the seventh day God finished his work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all his work that he had done... ⁷then the Lord God formed the man of dust from the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and the man became a living creature. ⁸And the Lord God planted a garden in Eden, in the east, and there he put the man whom he had formed... ¹⁵The Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to work it and keep it... ¹⁸Then the Lord God said, "It is not good that the man should be alone..." (Genesis 2:1-2, 7-8, 15-18)

And they heard the sound of the Lord God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and the man and his wife hid themselves. (Genesis 3:8)

Turn to me and be gracious to me, for I am lonely and afflicted. (Psalm 25:16)

Look to the right and see: there is none who take notice of me; no refuge remains to me; no one cares for my soul. (Psalm 142:4)

Studies regarding Ioneliness:

- Up to 60% of Americans report feeling lonely.
- Causes: busyness, technology, societal framework.
- Health effects tied to isolation: dementia, stroke, depression, anxiety, addiction, self-harm, suicide.

 9 Two are better than one, because they have a good reward for their toil. 10 For if they fall, one will lift up his fellow. But woe to him who is alone when he falls and has not another to lift him up! 11 Again, if two lie together, they keep warm, but how can one keep warm alone? 12 And though a man might prevail against one who is alone, two will withstand him — a threefold cord is not quickly broken. (Ecclesiastes 4:9-12)

FORMATIONAL GOALS OF THIS SERMON SERIES

- Reorient our life's narrative to God (God's Word).
- Reorient life's priorities to God (godly discipline and practice).
- Reorient the outcomes of community with God (God's power).
- Show the world the beauty of Christ-centered community.

What's happening with the Lighthouse family...

Because relationship with one another is at the core of being a disciple of Christ, we invite you to find community and experience spiritual transformation through LCC's groups, classes, events, and service opportunities.

Sierra Leone Mission Trip Info Meetings: Our mission trip to Sierra Leone is scheduled for February of 2024. If you are interested in learning about this opportunity, please plan to attend one of the info meetings on the weekends of September 16-17 and 23-24. Visit www.lighthousehome.org/sierra-leone for all the details and meeting times.

Wednesdays at LCC: Something for everybody! Starts at 6pm on September 20. Activities and groups include: Youth Group (6th-12th grade), GLOW (kiddos through 5th grade), Re|Engage (for married couples), and discipleship communities. For all the details and links to register, visit www.lighthousehome.org/wednesday.

Men's Friday Study Group: Men of all ages are invited to join us each Friday for fellowship and Bible study starting September 22. We meet in Room 322 (Building 2) at noon. Visit www.lighthousehome.org/men to read more and join this group.

Ongoing Men's Study Groups: We have two ongoing men's study groups - Thursdays at 6:30am and Saturdays at 8:00am. No need to register. Come as you are. Visit www.lighthousehome.org/men for more details regarding these men's groups.

Single Vision Evening of Worship: All singles 35+ are invited to this special time of worship and praise. Please bring a dessert to share. 7:00pm on Friday, September 22. No need to register. Bring a friend with you.

High School Game Night: All 6th-12th graders are welcome to participate in a fun night of games. Invite a friend to come along with you! 6:00pm-8:00pm on Friday, September 29. Visit www.lighthousehome.org/hs for a link to sign up.

Zumba for EVERYONE: We have added a Zumba session for everyone - men, women, older kiddos, teens, all ages and abilities. 9:30am on Saturdays starting September 30. Visit www.lighthousehome.org/zumba for more details.

Men's Breakfast: Men, come enjoy some great food while connecting with other men. No need to register. Come as you are. 8:00am on Saturday, September 30. Visit www.lighthousehome.org/men for more details about ministries for men at LCC.

eNews: Sign up for LCC's weekly eNews. Get special announcements and messages from our pastors and Leadership Team, updates and emergency notices, and a first look at upcoming groups, classes, and events. Visit www.lighthousehome.org/enews to sign up.

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