

Sunday Bible Study Guide | July 27, 2025

Sermon

I'm Not Here to Whisper - Pastor Jared Herd

Scriptures: Matthew 4:17; Luke 11:1-13; Revelation 3:19-20

<u>Context:</u> Pastor Jared challenged us to live a great story by doing two things: 1. Practice shameless audacity with God, and 2. Shun apathy in ourselves.

Mixer

Which of the six stories Pastor Jared mentioned best described/describes you? Why? Share about a time, past or present, when you struggled in one of these areas.

Domination story (Romans) - Power/Control

Revolution story (Zealots) - Revolt/Push Back

Purification story (Pharisees) - Piety/Religion

Isolation story (Essenes) - Separatist (So heavenly minded you are no earthly good)

Consumption story (Landowners) - Materialism

Questions

Observation: What does the passage say?

- 1. Read Matthew 4:17. What did Jesus preach to do and why?
- 2. Read Luke 11:1-13 and Matthew 6:15-13. How are these two passages different and how are they similar?

Interpretation: What does the passage mean?

- 1. Both Matthew 4:17 and Revelation 3:19 tell us to repent. What does it mean to repent?
- 2. What does it mean for us to pray like Jesus taught his disciples in Luke 11:1-4?
- 3. In Luke 11:8, Jesus shares that due to our shameless audacity, the friend will give us what we need. What point was Jesus making here?
- 4. In Luke 11:9-13, what does it mean that the Father will give us what we ask?

Application: How can we apply these passages to our lives?

1. What might it look like for us to practice shameless audacity with our Father in Heaven?

- 2. In what areas of your life do you need to shun apathy?
- 3. In Revelation 3:19-20, John records the words of Jesus saying (paraphrased), "Repent, because I stand at the door to your heart and I desire to commune with you." What steps might/will you take to walk more closely with Jesus, to practice shameless audacity with Him and shun apathy in you?

Go First Together

Community shapes us, forms us, and reminds us we don't follow Jesus alone. But the deeper truth is this: God blesses us so we can be a blessing to others. As a leader, you have the opportunity to go first and invite your group to be part of something bigger than themselves. Whether it's serving our city, showing up for the next generation, or stepping into a lifestyle of generosity, these are the moments that shape disciples and change lives. Let's be the kind of church that doesn't wait to make a difference. Let's Go First together!

Your Circle Can Make An Impact!

125 Rise High School & Adventure Middle School students and 23 Go First student ministry leaders are at Forest Home Camp in the San Bernardino Mountains and we are expecting their return on Wednesday, July 30. Please continue to cover this activity with prayers for campers and families as Forest Home becomes a home away from home, and with prayers for God's transformation on the mountain top be carried home with new passion and new commitment to walking assuredly with Jesus daily. Please pray for a safe return trip home.

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