## IVING HODE COMMUNITY CHURCH September 17, 2023

#### LIVING HOPE COMMUNITY CHURCH

WORSHIP SERVICES 9:30AM | 11:30AM

**September 17, 2023** 

#### **PRELUDE**

#### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

**Pastor James Lee** 

#### **SONGS OF PRAISE**

Amanda Han

#### **MESSAGE**

Real Conversation on Gender Identity "Position & Posture"

Matthew 19:3-12; Isaiah 56:3-7

Teaching: Tom Kang

Testimony/Q&A: Zoe Hawes with Pastor James Lee

#### **SONGS OF REFLECTION AND OFFERING**

### **CLOSING PRAYER**

Pastor James Lee

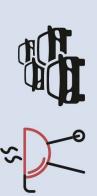


September

# **CARBON CANYON BREA** SEPT 24 (SUN) 1PM SHELTER #1

Sep 17 (Sun) 1pm @ Chapel

Parking Ministry Kickeff B



**RSVP** to Pastor James

(james.lee@livinghopecc.org)

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### 1. Real Conversation Sermon Series | Sep 10-Oct 1

What makes believing hard? The church continues to be biblical and relevant to make a difference in the hearts, minds, and lives of people. But some of the realities of life make it hard to believe. From September 10 to October 1, we will tackle some of the issues that plague our faith including silence, gender identity, disabilities, and doubt. We will be taught by a mixture of in-house and guest speakers, so please plan on being here and inviting a friend. See here for more details.

#### 2. Cell Group Sign Ups

Exciting news! Cell Group sign-ups are officially open, offering you the perfect chance to get connected in community. Sign up with the cell group interest form to receive information and updates.

Cell Group Interest Form

#### 3. R28 (College) Fall Kickoff | Sept 24

Calling all Collegians!! Welcome we're hope you're settling well into the new school year!! Come join us on Sunday 9/24 (in the Porch) for food, fellowship, and prizes as we celebrate and start off the new year! Invite you're friends and see you soon!

R28 Instagram Page

#### 4. Prime Park Day | Sept 24

We will be going to Carbon Canyon Park in Brea (4442 Carbon Canyon Road) for an afternoon of food, games, and relaxation! It's a great opportunity to meet other Primers and mingle. Please feel free to come with your cell groups or bring a friend! We have Shelter #1 reserved. Parking inside the park is \$5, so we recommend carpooling or parking across the street. Food is provided!

#### 5. Baby Dedication | Oct 1

Baby Dedication will be on October 8 during 930am service. There is a class the week before on October 1 at 10:15am in the Living room. You can find information and register on the link below. Please register before September 25.

**Baby Dedication Registration Form** 

#### 6. Women's Retreat | Oct 6-8

Women's Retreat is finally here! Please join us for a weekend away as we learn to find strength in Him and find community with one another. Registration begins August 20th! There will be an early bird discount price of \$165 for two weeks only, followed by regular registration cost of \$185 thereafter.

**Registration Form** 

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## **SERMON NOTES**

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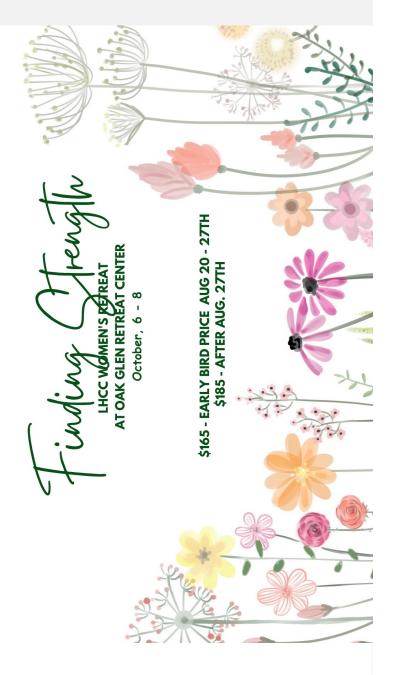


# Start Sept. 10

cell::groups

friends · growing · together

September 17, 2023



Join your first one in the lobby or online!

### **Cell Group Discussion Questions**

#### **Icebreaker**

What are some of your thoughts, concerns, fears, and questions as we enter this discussion about gender identity?

#### From the Sermon

- 1. Briefly describe your first lessons about anything gender identity related. For instance, did your parents sit you down for a talk about the "birds and the bees?" Or perhaps your first encounter with this subject matter was in a Sexual Education Class in middle school? Maybe an older sibling or something on TV? Did you first learn about sexuality in church or Sunday School through the story of Adam and Eve?
- 2. Read Genesis 1:26-31; 2:15-24; 5:1-2 and share your insights concerning the origin story of man and woman as described in those passages.
- 3. Publishers Weekly recently noted: "It's hard to name a more rapidly evolving religious issue than attitudes toward homosexuality." Why do you suppose this is the case?
- 4. Read Matthew 19:1-12 aloud as a group. What is Jesus' lesson about divorce here? Why does Jesus bring up eunuchs and the 3 different insights about eunuchs? Finally, notice the very next passage (Mt 19:13-15) and the scene with children. Are these two incidents connected in any way other than chronologically?
- 5. What major lessons and correlations in Matthew 19:1-12; 21:12-17 and Isaiah 56:1-8 do you see?
- 6. How does John 13:34,35 apply to this subject matter as well as believers today?