Life Verse

"Our Hope, Our Influence": 1 Timothy 4:10-12 ESV July 27-28, 2013: Randall Tonini, Student Ministries Pastor

Key Question: How Are You Using Your Influence?

Do you believe that Jesus is your only HOPE?

Main Idea: Our hope determines our influence.

Main Text:

"For to this end we <u>toil</u> and <u>strive</u>, because we have our <u>hope set</u> on the living God, who is the <u>Savior</u> of all people, <u>especially</u> of those <u>who believe</u>. Command and teach these things. Let no one <u>despise</u> you for your <u>youth</u>, but set the believers an <u>example</u> in

speech, in conduct, in love, in faith, in purity." 1 Timothy 4:10-12

Three Truths about an Influence Shaped by Jesus:

1. The Gospel matters (vs. 10)

Scriptures Describing "The Gospel": *Isaiah 53:3-6; Romans 3:23-26; Romans 5:6-11; Romans 8:32-39; 1 Corinthians 15:3-4; 2 Corinthians 5:21; Galatians 2:21*

- 2. Youth matters (vs.12)
- 3. Example matters (vs. 12)

Conclusion:

"So even to old age and gray hairs, O God, do not forsake me, until I proclaim Your might to another generation, Your power to all those to come." Psalm 71:18

Notes:

RESOURCES:

"The Cross Centered Life" by CJ Mahaney
"Give Them Grace" by Elyse Fitzpatrick
"Erasing Hell" by Francis Chan
"Jesus Storybook Bible" by Sally Lloyd-Jones

Five for the Drive

A family conversation starter for the ride home

- 1. What Christians in your life influence you the most? Why?
- 2. Do you think your hope has been more in yourself or in Jesus? Explain.
- 3. Explain the Gospel. Now read the scriptures given in the message. Does your description match up with the way the Bible explains the Gospel?
- 4. From the message, why does our "youth" matter?
- 5. What can you do to set an example for the next generation for Christ? Is there anyone specific you can influence? How?

Ministry Opportunities

For more information about these and other events, go to SavannahChristian.com/Events.

Pivot Men's Conference

6 – 10 p.m. Friday, August 23 (Doors open at 5 p.m.) Savannah Civic Center, Johnny Mercer Theatre Follow Up Breakfast 7 a.m. Saturday, August 24 Worship Center, Henderson Campus

Join men from across the Southeast for this dynamic conference that calls men to be battle-ready – ready for all life throws at them – by seeking God and living a life of biblical manhood. This will be an amazing night of teaching, worship and fellowship. Speakers include our own Cam Huxford as well as Kenny Grant, Ricky Temple and Dr. Steve Farrar. Purchase tickets at PivotRally.org.

Military Picnic and Family Fishing Day 10 a.m. - noon Saturday, Aug. 10

Lake by The Link

Active-duty military personnel are invited to join us for lunch and family fun by the lake at Henderson Campus. Bring your family, fishing gear, and dress for waterslide fun! We'll treat you to lunch and ice cream. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Please invite your military friends to join us as well. Sign up at a Connection Kiosk or email Melody at MPullin@SavannahChristian.com by Monday, Aug. 5.

Volunteers Needed for Student Ministry Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday Nights and Sunday Mornings The Link across the lake

Volunteer with Student Ministries. Be a part of the students' lives in a way that affects their eternity. Impact the lives of middle and high school students and you will be transformed as well. For more information, email Lyndsey at LRich@SavannahChristian.com.

31:8 Movie Night - "More Than Dreams" 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 9 The Link across the lake

Each month we show a film about social justice. Our motivation is based on Proverbs 31:8: "Speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves." This month's film is "More Than Dreams," which explores the true stories of some Muslims who have had life-changing encounters with Jesus Christ through their dreams. After the movie we will talk about how we can become advocates for those who are oppressed or who need Jesus. Popcorn and drinks will be served. Childcare is not available.