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SERMON OUTLINE -- JANAUARY 8, 2023

Who is in Heaven (Matthew 6:9)

INTRODUCTION: The little girl's 1st day of school...

I. GOD WANTS US TO SEE THINGS FROM HIS **HEAVENLY** PERSPECTIVE

- A. His wisdom and His ways are (thankfully so) far above us (1 Corinthians 1:25; Isaiah 55:8-9)
- B. What controls us doesn't control Him (Matthew 19:26)

II. HE ALWAYS SEES US THROUGH THE CROSS OF JESUS

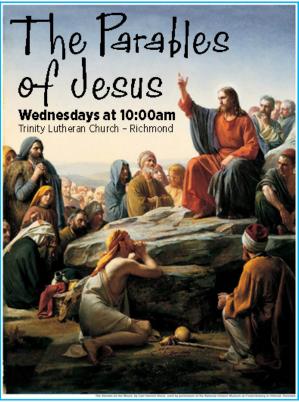
- A. God sees us sinners through our Saviour (John 3:16)
- B. He sees us in ways we cannot see ourselves

III. TAKE A MOMENT TO CONSIDER THE WONDERS OF THE UNIVERSE

- A. Consider: the power of the sun... the 23 degree tilt of the earth... the wonder of gravity
- B. If God is able to control all of this, can He take care of you? (Matthew 6:25 and ff)
- C. He invites us to see things from His perspective, as our Father **Who is in heaven**

CONCLUSION: Remember the little girl on her 1st day of school...

ANNOUNCEMENTS



New Bible Class

Beginning on Wednesday January 11 Pastor Harold will begin a new in-person Bible class entitled – *The Parables of Jesus.* We will study 12 of Jesus' parables (some well known & some not so well known). A parable has been defined as "an earthly story with a heavenly meaning". We will learn what these parables meant in Jesus' day and what they mean for us today. Class will meet from 10:00 – 11:00 am in the room next to the church kitchen.