



MESSAGE NOTES

AT THE LOOP



REAL LIFE: A CASE STUDY IN ABIDING

Dec 18, 2011 • Pastor Gregg Matte • Galatians 2:20-21

► **The cross makes abiding possible.**

Galatians 6:14; 1 Corinthians 1:18; Hebrews 9:14

► **An abiding life is a faith filled life.**

Romans 1:17; Proverbs 3:4-6

► **Run the race in grace.**

1 Corinthians 9:24; Ephesians 2:7-9

For further reflection and discussion:

- How would you define "Abiding in Christ"?
- What is a step you could take towards abiding deeper?
- What is your primary "take-away" or "Ah-Ha" moment in the Real Life series?

MEMORIZE John 14:27

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WEEK AT A GLANCE

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

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BIRTHS

- Steven (Staff) and Amanda Murray in the birth of their daughter, Caroline Winslow Murray; Brothers: Braden and Wilson Murray
- Brian and Ashley Ashy in the birth of their daughter, Sarah Grace Ashy; Sister: Hannah Ashy
- Chris and Daphne Tull in the birth of their daughter, Bethany Ann Tull; Brother: Jonathan Tull
- Elliot and Kori Spruce in the birth of their son, Eli Timothy Spruce
- Jason and Kendra Boehning in the birth of their son, Kenson Kyle Boehning

SYMPATHIES

- Violet Quiring in the death of her husband, Kenneth Quiring
- Family and Friends in the death of Mary Dooley

DECISIONS DEC 11, 2011

For Baptism

Emily Caldwell

Monica Moralez

Kent Caldwell

By Statement

Ted Cruz

From Other Fellowships

Heidi Cruz

Braxton Ward

William Sint

Nancy Wynant

Dennis Virgadamo

Scott Wynant

Laura Virgadamo

ATTENDANCE DEC 11, 2011

Life Bible Study	3,819
Weekday Bible Study	286
Total Bible Study	4,105

GIVING — WEEK ENDING DEC 11, 2011

Tithes & Offerings	\$349,477
Weekly Requirements	\$335,755
Over/(Under)	\$13,722
Designated Gifts	\$731,358
Over/(Under) for Dec	\$193,799
Over/(Under) Fiscal YTD	(\$92,003)
Capital Campaign	
Donations Received	\$9,577
Total Received	\$26,289,178

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