

CHASING CARROTS “Control”

Proverbs 16:1-9

I. Intro: Control freak?

II. Our plans, _____ purposes

The plans of the heart belong to man, but the answer of the tongue is from the Lord. The heart of man plans his way, but the Lord establishes his steps. (Prov 16:1, 9 ESV)

A. Look for _____

B. Controlling people _____ actually being _____

God says, “Stop fighting and know that I am God! I am the one who defeats the nations; I am the one who controls the world.” (Psalm 46:10 ERV)

C. Your _____ is not your _____

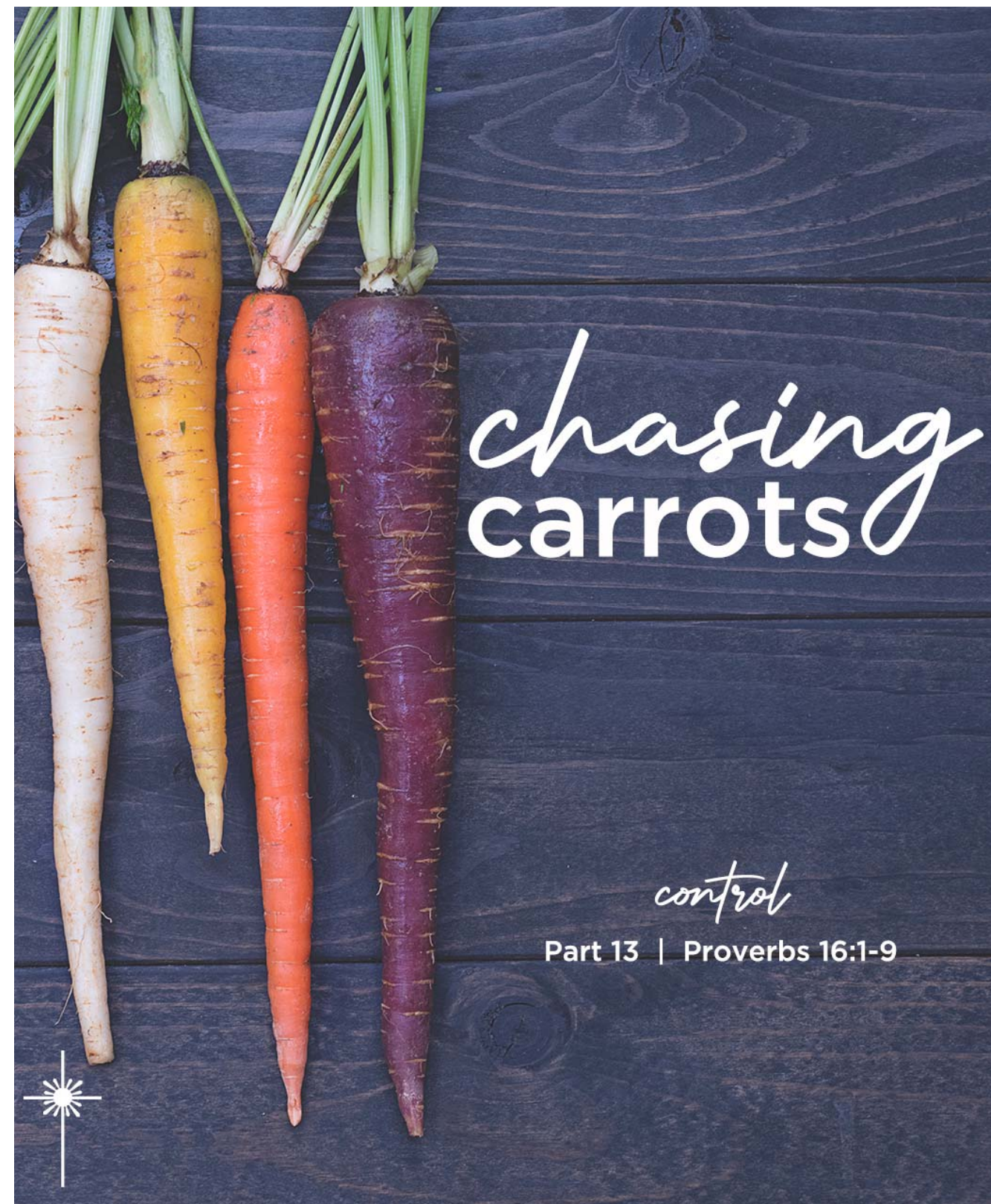
Guard your heart above all else, for it determines the course of your life. (Prov 4:23 NLT)

*“That’s why the most stressed-out people are control freaks. They fail at the quest they most pursue. The more they try to control the world, the more they realize they cannot. Life becomes a cycle of anxiety, failure; anxiety, failure; anxiety, failure. We can’t take control, because _____ is not ours to _____.”
(Max Lucado)*

D. Give up _____, finding _____ in Jesus

“But blessed is the one who trusts in the Lord, whose confidence is in him. They will be like a tree planted by the water that sends out its roots by the stream. It does not fear when heat comes; its leaves are always green. It has no worries in a year of drought and never fails to bear fruit.” (Jeremiah 17:7-8 NIV)

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Traditional Worship

August 27, 2023

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Welcome & Invocation (Setting 2, pg.167)

"God Himself Is Present" (LSB907)

Prayer of the Day, Confession & Absolution

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Readings

Proverbs 16:1-9; Romans 11:33-12:8; Matt 16:13-20

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"Built on the Rock" (LSB645:1-3)

Message

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Offering

Online giving is available at RedeemerRolla.org/give. Thanks for supporting the ongoing mission and ministry in this way! God bless you!

Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Preface, Sanctus, Institution of Elements, Agnus Dei

The Lord's Supper

"Christ Is Our Cornerstone" (LSB912)

"Precious Lord, Take My Hand" (LSB739)

"Children of the Heavenly Father" (LSB725)

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Dismissal & Post Communion Cantic

Benediction

"Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me" (LSB715)

Announcements

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Sunday Worship Schedule

8:30am - Traditional Worship

9:45am - Growth Groups for Adults, Youth & KidZone

11am - Contemporary Worship

Welcome to Redeemer!

Thanks for worshiping with us! We want you to feel at home and encourage you to introduce yourself to one of our greeters or pastor. If you'd like more info about Redeemer, please fill out the Connect Card in the chair-back in front of you. **We want to meet and welcome you personally.** If you have questions concerning hearing assistance or directions to our nursery or classrooms, an usher will be happy to assist. Children's bulletins and "busy hands" bags are available at the Welcome Center just outside the sanctuary.

So we're going to come right out and say something that likely won't shock you: **We're not perfect.** We try to be real, transparent, and honest. But we even fail at that sometimes. You may feel ignored or unappreciated in some way this morning, but that certainly is not our intention. Please allow us to get to know you better – we all came to worship a Loving God.

But here's the thing: **We don't come to church to meet perfect people.** We come to meet **a perfect God.** He's inviting us to worship today. He is good and His love endures forever. And His is a love that was consummated on a cross and vindicated in an empty tomb. **Jesus won the battle** against sin, death and the devil. He freed us. **Today we celebrate that victory** and freedom together as **imperfect people, longing for more of Him.**

Pastor Nathan

If This is Your First Time Joining Us!

We're thrilled you are here! We'd love to get to know you better! We pray this time of worship encourages and challenges you in your faith.



If you are looking for a church home, **we would love to partner with you** to make an eternal difference in our community for Jesus. Consider being part of the next "Doorway Class" which will give you a better flavor for who we are as a church. You will find that **Redeemer is a great place to GATHER, GROW, and GO in your relationship with Jesus**

Come "GROW" with us!

Welcome to the Lord's Table

If you're a guest, we are glad you are here! Prior to taking Communion, we encourage you to speak with pastor or an elder. We believe the sacrament of Communion is a gift of Christ to His Church. Scripture encourages, all who receive this gift must first examine themselves concerning matters of biblical faith and godly living: "Examine yourselves, and only then eat of the bread and drink of the cup." (1 Cor 11:28). Therefore, prior to celebrating Communion, we ask that you prayerfully consider the following:

- * Do I believe I'm a sinner without hope of eternal life except for God's mercy offered through the death & resurrection of Jesus Christ?
- * Do I believe Jesus is present with His Body & His Blood in, with, and under the bread and wine?
- * Do I believe Jesus is God's Son & my Savior?
- * Do I desire, by the power of the Holy Spirit and the instruction of God's Word, to live a life pleasing to Him?
- * Do I repent of my sins in what I say, think, & do?

We believe your "Yes!" to these questions affirms a common faith with confirmed Lutheran Christians and is your invitation to our Lord's Table. Non-Communing children and adults are encouraged to come up for a personal blessing. For those who prefer, white grape juice is available at the center of each Communion tray.