Sermon Outline

May 24 Zechariah 4;
Exodus 25:31-40; 27:20-21
”Unlimited and Unending”

- The two lampstands

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- Living a Pentecost life

✞ Points to Ponder to Prepare

May 31 1 Samuel 16:1-13
”Anointed as King”

Last fall we had a series showing that God’s people in the time of Samuel need a king to save them. It wouldn’t be the judges like Samson. It wouldn’t by the priests like Eli’s sons. It wouldn’t be Samuel’s sons. It wouldn’t be King Saul. It needed to be the King of God’s choosing, a man after his own heart.

We jump forward to I Samuel 16 this week to read about Samuel’s trip to Jesse’s home. Take a moment to read the passage.

- Whom did Samuel see first? What was his impression? Why wasn’t he the one? (See I Samuel 13:14 to hear what Samuel had told Saul about the kind of man who would be the next king.)
- This is a wondering question, but why do you think Jesse didn’t initially present David?
- How does being a shepherd qualify David as King? What does this tell us about God’s heart?

There is a powerful principle in I Samuel 16:7.

- What is the difference between God’s perspective and our own?
- What does our world look for in a potential leader? Is this different in the Church?
- How much time money and energy do we invest in what other people see? How much do we invest in what God sees?

Scripture readings for the week

Sunday May 24	Deuteronomy 22-23
Monday May 25	Deuteronomy 24
Tuesday May 26	Deuteronomy 25
Wed May 27	Deuteronomy 26
Thursday May 28	Deuteronomy 27
Friday May 29	Deuteronomy 28
Saturday May 30	Deuteronomy 29-30
Sunday May 31	Deuteronomy 31-32

Prayer Focus

Our prayer focus this week is on cognitive, mental and emotional health and well-being. These issues lie at the complicated meeting point of our brain chemistry, our life circumstances, and our spiritual souls.

- Make a short list of those you know who are struggling with their emotions and mental health. Put yourself on the list if appropriate.
- Pray for their circumstances and physical health.
- Pray Ephesians 3:16-19 for them. Our “inmost being” is a place that only God can reach through his Holy Spirit.