



Satisfaction of Human Needs

St. John's Grade 12 Class

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Humans Have Needs

- Psychological (Mind)
- Physiological (Body)
- Spiritual (Spirit)



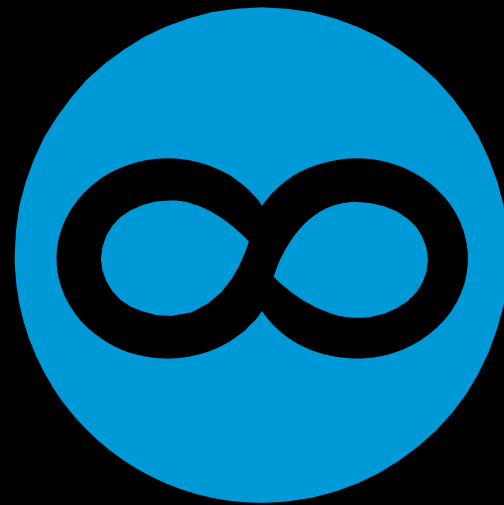
What needs do you think we have?

- Money
- Food
- Car
- Love
- Safety
- Friendship
- Others



Common Theme?

- Endless Needs
 - Education
 - Money
- Unsuitable Needs
 - Always be entertained
- All of our needs are limitless
- Some need aren't even needs, they are pleasures



Endless Unsatisfiable Needs

- Pleasures are like salty water, which does not quench thirst, but rather inflames it.
- Hot sauce – we think we know the solution, its not water.
- Church Fathers say “man’s heart is a triangle, and even if we put inside it the whole globe, the angles will still be empty”.

The World and Needs

- Trillions of marketing dollars are spent on trying to tell you what you need.
- Needs are both common and personal
- Common needs:
 - Air
 - Food
 - Sunlight
 - Love
- Personal needs:
 - Handicapped people
 - Special attention

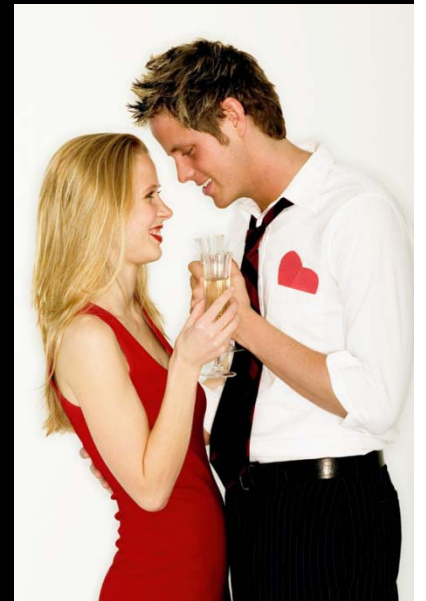
What are my real needs?

- I picked 5 needs to talk about
 - We can find more real needs by asking: What will TRULY make me happy?
1. Love
 2. Success
 3. Security
 4. Forgiveness
 5. Jesus



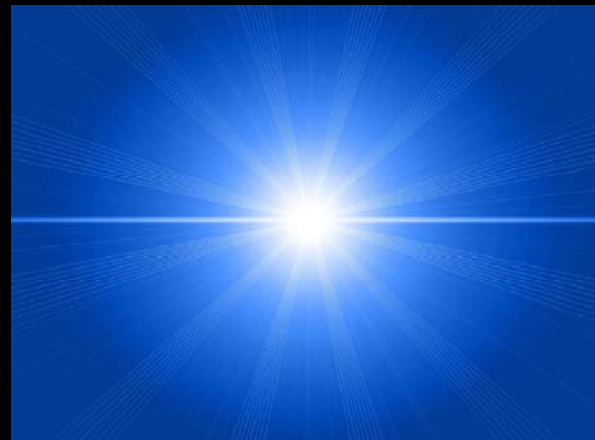
The Need For Love

- From creation, we have had the need for love.
- Without love, we live in a shell.
- Have you ever seen a person with no friends?
- Problem: Human love is limited.
- Human love is selfish
 - It takes before it gives
 - “What about me?”
 - What about my needs?
 - I won’t do ... until you give me ...”



How to satisfy the need for love?

- Get it from God
- God is all about love
 - Perfect love
 - Endless love
- God's love is offered to all without any:
 - Hindrance
 - Reservation
 - Diversion
- Marriage
 - Love is taken from God and given to your spouse
 - It's the best way to love
 - Without love, there is a big chance of failing



The Need for Success

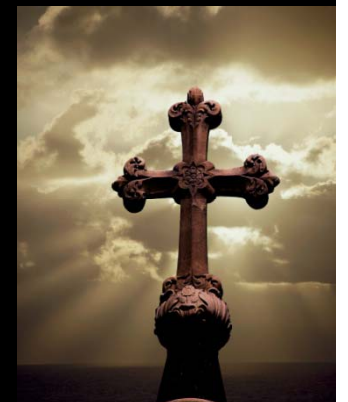
- Everyone wants to feel successful –
 - Fulfilled
 - Accomplishment
 - Purpose
- God wants you to be successful
 - “Beloved, I pray that you may **prosper in all things** and be in health, just as your **soul prospers**. 3Jn 1:2
- “But **seek first** the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you. Mt 6:33
- Success must come from God because He knows you best!
- Are you **TRULY** happy when you do it by yourself.

The Need for Security

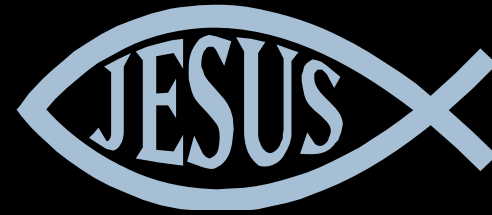
- People move around the world to feel safe
- Our parents moved here for safety and education
- But no matter where you live, no matter how protected you feel, something can happen
- “Fear not, for I *am* with you; Be not dismayed, for I *am* your God. I will strengthen you, Yes, I will help you, I will uphold you with My righteous right hand.” Is 41:10
- Where can you find more safety, reassurance or security?

The Need for Forgiveness

- It's a bad feeling when you know you hurt someone and they haven't forgiven you yet.
- Sins need to be forgiven to go to heaven – this is a need or else you will be stopped at the gates.
- Sins need to be forgiven by 2 people:
 - The person you sinned against
 - God
- This is a NEED that people forget about.

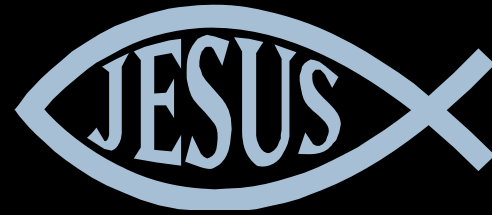


The Need for



- “The peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds **through** Christ **Jesus.**” Phil 4:7
- “Knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the law but by faith in Jesus Christ.” Gal 2:6
- “But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all things that I said to you.” Jn 14:26
- “Which from the beginning of the ages has been hidden in God who created all things **through** Jesus Christ .” Eph 3:9
- “By that will we have been sanctified **through** the offering of the body of **Jesus** Christ once for all. “ Heb 10:10
- “⁴If you ask anything in My name, I will do *it*” Jn 14”14.

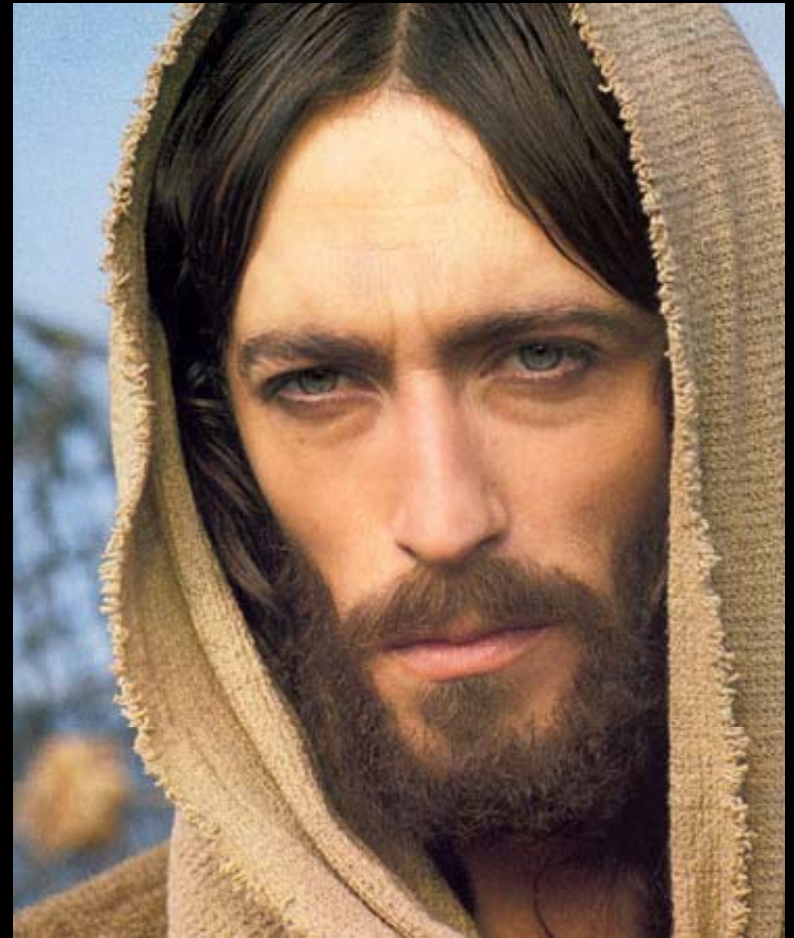
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- “My little children, these things I write to you, so that you may not sin. And if anyone sins, we have an **Advocate** with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous.”
1Jn 2:1
- “**Jesus** said to him, “I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except **through** Me.” Jn 14:6
- “For you are all sons of God **through** faith in Christ **Jesus**.”
Gal 3:26
- “But we believe that **through** the grace of the Lord **Jesus** Christ we shall be saved.” Act 15:11
- “We also rejoice in God **through** our Lord **Jesus** Christ, **through** whom we have now received the reconciliation.” Rom 5:11
- “But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory **through** our Lord **Jesus** Christ.” 1Cor 15:57
- “Come to Me, all *you* who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.” Mat 11:28

Turn to Jesus for ALL your needs NOW!

- “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand!” Mt 3:2
- This was said 4 times in the NT
- It was said 2000 years ago
- What are you waiting for?



Its Up To You!

- Do you want your problems solved?
- Do you want to feel loved like never before?
- Do you want to be truly happy?
- Do you want to feel satisfied?



CONCLUSION

- Humans have needs
- Human needs are endless
- Some of our “needs” aren’t even needs, they are pleasures
- How can limitless needs be satisfied by the world?
- Only one thing can fit the equation, JESUS

QUESTIONS?

GLORY BE TO GOD FOREVER AMEN

