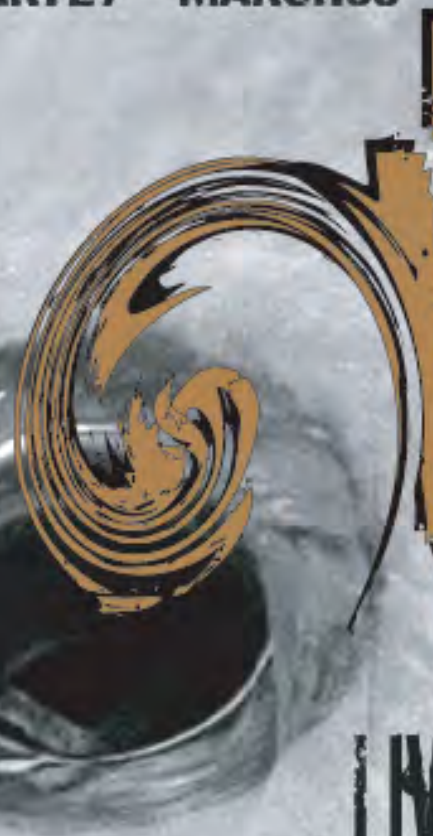


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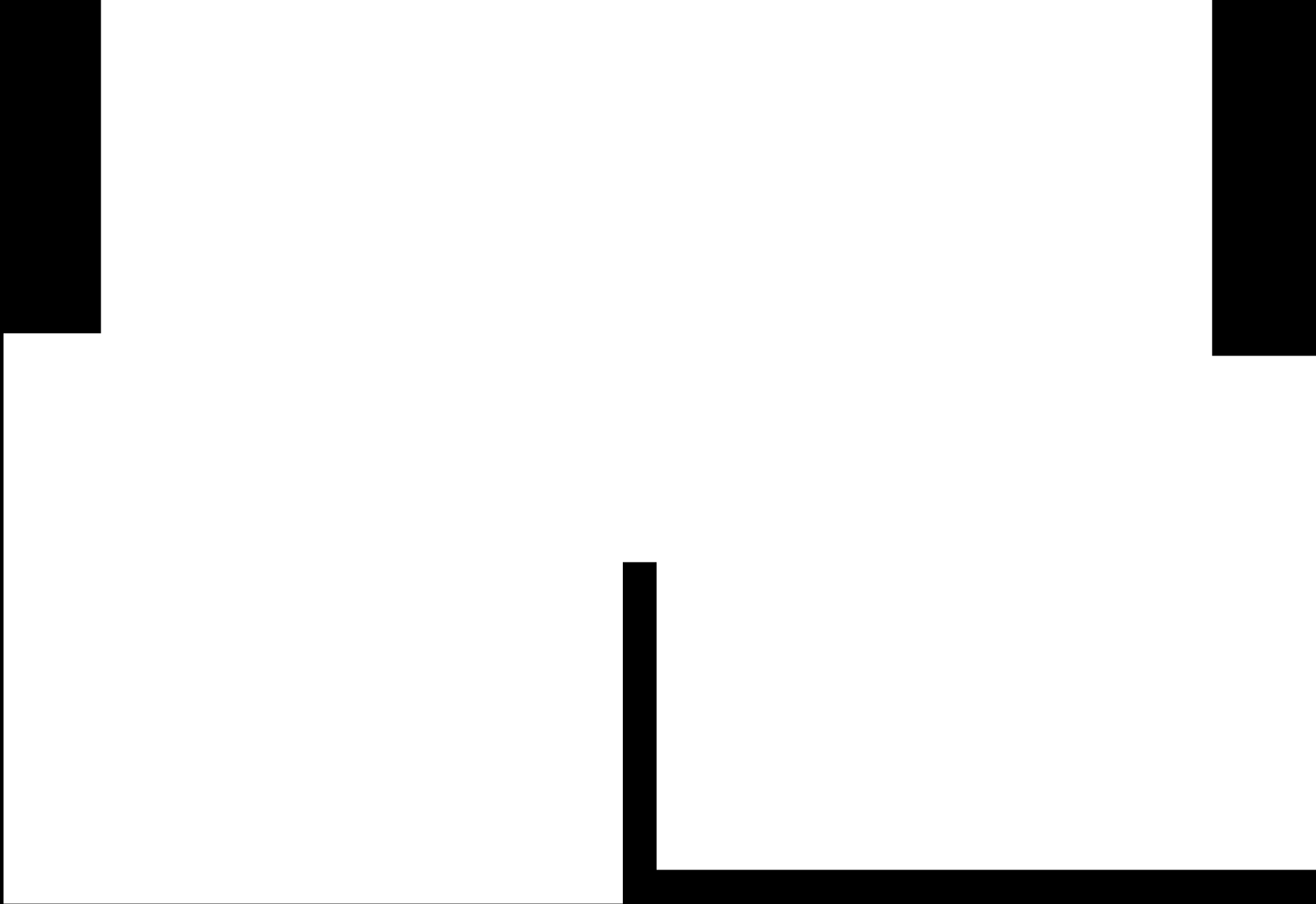


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TOPIC

HOW TO WASTE YOUR LIFE!
A VISION OF GOD THAT IS WORTH LIVING (AND DYING!) FOR
LIFE IS LIKE A CIGARETTE - SMOKE IT TO THE BUTT!
DON'T WASTE YOUR LIFE 9 TO 5!
SEEKING THE WELFARE OF THE CITY
INVESTING IN THE KINGDOM
A PLEA TO CONSIDER GOING OR SUPPORTING
THE REWARD OF RISKING YOUR NECK FOR JESUS
EASTER MESSAGE ~ BOASTING IN THE CROSS AND RESURRECTION OF JESUS ONLY!
AT THE END, WILL YOU SAY "I WASTED IT..."?



*Taking care of
Business.*

*How to invest your
life from 9 - 5*

How to be a Blessing to our City
DESSERT

Sunday
March 30th
7-9pm



Want to bring Dessert?! E-mail paul@hopecc.com

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Referring to Jewish expectations of the Messiah:

These matters “were the center of a vast mass of confused, involved, and even contradictory notions, from which there arose few certainties that were acknowledged by all.”

~ Henri Daniel-Rops, French writer and church historian
Daily Life in the Time of Jesus

Confused much?

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“If anyone else thinks he has reason for confidence in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness, under the law blameless. But whatever gain I had, I counted everything as loss for the sake of Christ. Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord.

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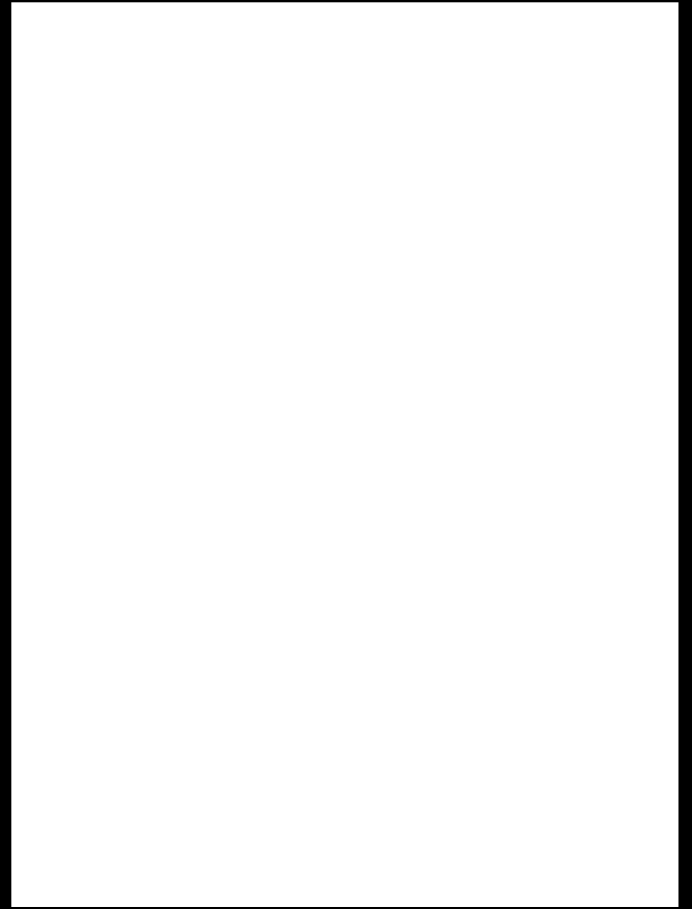
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For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God that depends on faith--that I may know him and the power of his resurrection, and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, that by any means possible I may attain the resurrection from the dead.”

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“He must increase,
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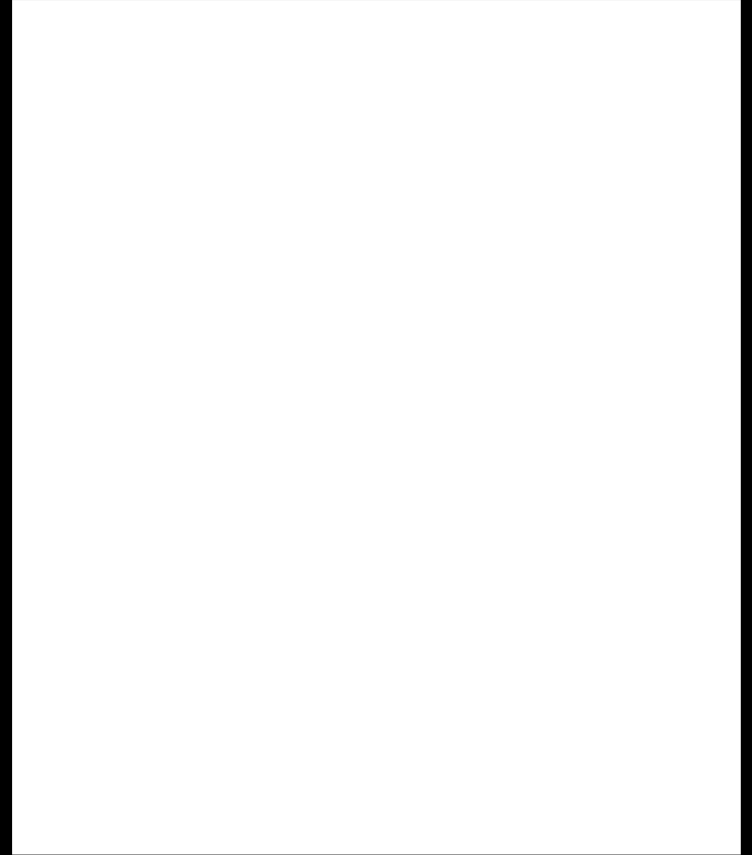
~John the Baptist



“A pervasive concern with church growth exists today - not simply with growing numbers, but with growing members. Though many Christians measure other things, the only certain observable sign of growth is a life of increasing holiness, rooted in Christian self-denial.”

~Mark Dever

9 Marks of a Healthy Church



Is there any “independent
George” that still remains
that you need to kill
that Christ might be your all
in all?