

Wednesday, January 8, 2021

Dear Members and Friends of Desert Hills Lutheran,

This weekend I'll be starting a seven-week sermon series on N.T. Wright's book, *Broken Signposts: How Christianity Makes Sense of the World*. Rev. Dr. Wright has seven values that are signposts for living, but he believes they are all broken. The seven are justice, love, spirituality, beauty, freedom, truth, and power. Christians and non-Christians believe in them but in the world, they are broken. It is Rev. Dr. Wright's opinion Christianity can help make them whole. What a bold statement, but of course I would say that. I am a Christian. If I didn't believe it, then why bother with Jesus and Christianity. N.T. Wright a New Testament professor and apologist for Christianity wants all of us to stop being silent and to speak up about how being Christian can change the world for the better. Rev. Dr. Wright uses the gospel of John for examples of all seven values. Hopefully, it will be helpful for all of us. This week I'll take the first, justice.

We continue to pray for our country. Each day brings new information that is interpreted positive or negative depending on the side of the fence we live on. So be it, but we are asking our God to help us find ways of healing and moving forward for all of us.

That is all for now on this Wednesday. Keep strong, keep praying, and keep making a difference.

Blessings,

Pastor Martin