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For The Church

Spiritual Discipline: Meditation

Meditation is not simply a practice of Eastern religions and New Age gurus. It lies at the heart of Judeo-Christian spirituality, inviting us to become more aware of God's presence. In *The Pursuit of God*, A.W. Tozer writes, “God dwells in His creation and is everywhere indivisibly present in all His works.” Psalm 139:7 asks, “Where can I go from your Spirit? Where can I flee from your presence?” God is near.

Meditation runs counter to our hurried culture, where first impressions and skimming often replace careful attention. To meditate is to slow down and gaze long and thoughtfully upon God, His works, and His Word. Just as turning a prism reveals different colors, meditation allows God's truth and light to illuminate our hearts in new ways. Biblical meditation is not about emptying our minds but filling them with what we know to be true about God. It means giving Him our undivided attention. Since our minds naturally wander, meditation helps train us to remain focused and explore God's truth more deeply.

To meditate on Scripture, choose a passage and read it slowly. Listen carefully. Ask questions. Use your imagination. When distractions come, gently return your attention to the text. Allow what you discover to shape how you live and interact with others. We can also meditate on God's creation. Take time to notice the beauty and wonder of what He has made. Look closely, appreciate deeply, and allow the Holy Spirit to move you toward praise.Whether through Scripture or creation, meditation invites us to slow down, recognize God's presence, and draw closer to Him.

In Our Prayers

Crystal Emery (Glora’s mom)
Linda Guthrie
Betty Peptone (David’s Sister)
Clay Mason
Miguel Devore
Mrs. Rose (Nancy’s Mom)
Natalie Lippholdt
Ty Cornwell
Terry Nash (Vanessa’s stepdad)
Don Hornbaker
Landon Marks

Upcoming Events

Youth Group [Tonight]

NO youth group tonight - FCA bonfire got rescheduled to tonight.

Potluck [Today]

Please join us immediately following services for our monthly potluck fellowship meal.

Bible Hour And Ladies Class [Wednesday]

There will be NO ladies class this Wednesday at 9:30 AM. Wednesday night Bible hour will meet this week at 6 PM.

Donations for Clay Mason

Needed: Winter coats - gently used, washed and clean please. Adult sizes only. Also, hats, scarves, and gloves are needed. Small propane bottles or money to purchase propane is helpful. All kinds of meat are welcome or money to purchase. Contact Zeb or Pam if you have meat to donate. Other donations can be dropped off in the kids play room. There will be a load going at the end of October and another in mid December.

Pie Fundraiser

Kenwood (and Sewing for the Master) are selling pies for the upcoming holidays. Call Kenwood to reserve yours today (price is your generous donation) and will go to support 2 good causes (pumpkin, apple, cherry, peach, and blueberry).

Save the Date:

November 8 - Young Family Ministry (Stafford)
November 13-15 - SMC Fall Teen Retreat

Birthdays

Shae Huffman - November 2

Worship Order

Welcome Table: Lory Willinger & Cheyenne Holmes

Greeters: Zeb & Jessica Carter

Sound System: Zoey Carter

Song Leader: Gary Hornbaker

Gathering: #47 - Holy, Holy, Holy

Welcome: Chris Mansel

Scripture Reading: JW Like (Revelation 19:1-2)

Song: #176 - Lamb of God

Song: #902 - Nothing But the Blood

Communion: Chris Mansel (Darrel Bauer, Ben Sizemore, Charlie Bissell)

*Song: #162 - All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

Lesson 1: Zeb Carter

Shepherd's Prayer: Tom Turner

Song: #266 - Majesty

Lesson 2: Zeb Carter

Song: #469 - Faith is the Victory (vs. 1)

Closing Prayer: Jerry Kinnamon

* During the final verse of this song, children will be dismissed for Bible Hour.

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