

THAT WE MAY GROW

Study for the week of September 15, 2019

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Opening Prayer

Ask God to be present with you and to open our hearts to His Word.

Message Moment

What was said in the sermon this week that made you think it was written just for you?

Ice Breaker

Do you prefer to do the dishes or the laundry?

Studying the Word

Psalms – Psalm 51:1-10

What are all the references to washing and cleaning in this passage?

What is being cleaned?

Once clean, what is revealed or brought forth?

When you study this passage are you focused more on what needs to be cleaned or the newness of being clean?

Does Verse 6 give you pause?

How can we learn to bring wisdom to our secret heart?

Gospel – Luke 15:1-10

What were the Pharisees and scribes grumbling about?

Why does Jesus choose to dine with sinners?

How are your circles (people) balanced between believers and non-believers?

What do these parables teach us about our discipleship responsibilities?

Difficult? Easy?

Is there a particular person in your life that you want to pray for...or even talk to...this week that needs to hear about the love of Jesus?

New Testament – 1 Timothy 1:12-17

Thank you, Paul, for reminding us that we are all sinners and in need of Mercy!

How have you had to give yourself grace when you messed up as a Christ-follower?

How have you had to give grace to others when they have messed up as a Christ-follower?

Giving grace - Is this easy for you to remember to do? Why or why not?

When have you found yourself as the one lost sheep, or that one lost coin? The one Jesus needs to dine with?

Music Suggestions

“Immortal, Invisible, God only wise” (inspired by 1 Timothy 1:17)

Immortal, invisible, God Only wise,
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
Almighty, victorious, Thy great name we praise.

Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,
Nor wanting, nor wasting, Thou rulest in might;
Thy justice like mountains high soaring above
Thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.

To all life Thou givest, to both great and small;
In all life Thou livest, the true life of all;
We blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree,
And wither and perish, but nought changeth Thee.

Great Father of Glory, pure Father of Light
Thine angels adore Thee, all veiling their sight;
All laud we would render, O help us to see:
’Tis only the splendor of light hideth Thee.

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Closing Prayer Prompts

Prayer Journal

Encouragement to share the love of Jesus with others.

Thankfulness for the mercy God shares with us each day.