

Study Guide July 8, 2018

Monday July 9th (I took time to pray today ☐)

Read: 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

The formula seems easy: be joyful, pray continually, give thanks. Why is it then that we seem to struggle with all three of these? If we at least pray continually, the others will fall in line more easily. Our relationship with Jesus, through constant prayer, helps us to be joyful more often and want to give thanks for all we have seen Jesus do.

Question: Will you be committed to praying more than you do now, knowing it strengthens our relationship with Jesus and helps us to live joyful and thankful lives?

Tuesday July 10th (I took time to pray today ☐)

Read: Luke 9:62 We have begun a new season here. There is no use looking back but we should look ahead to what God has planned for us. Being involved in the work of the Kingdom is very rewarding and will strengthen our knowledge of who God is and how He desires to continue His work through us even today.

Question: Are you ready and willing to look ahead and see where you fit into the plans and mission that will be revealed for Tabor Church?

Wednesday July 11th (I took time to pray today ☐)

Read: 1 Timothy 1:12 All of us are called to service for God. This scripture confirms what God will give us if we say yes to being obedient to His call. If we agree to be faithful in prayer after Monday, we should then be willing to listen to what God has to say to us so we will know the call He has placed on our lives.

Question: Will you commit to taking the time in prayer and asking God to reveal to You His call upon your life? Will you ask Him to give you the strength you need to be obedient to whatever that call may be?

Thursday July 12th (I took time to pray today ☐)

Read: Isaiah 26:4 Another reason prayer is so important. Put that together with reading your Bible daily to discover the character of God. How can we trust a God who we do not know intimately? When we do get to know Him, we will find Him to be faithful and we can trust Him with whatever our situations are.

Question: Are you willing to commit to knowing God more intimately so that we can learn to trust Him with everything? This may seem easier than you think. But experience has taught me that trusting God is a process we go through as we learn about His character and experience Him in all of our difficult situations.

Friday July 13th (I took time to pray today ☐)

Reread: 1 Cor. 13:1-13 Here is the Scripture that we heard on Sunday. Love is very important because from it so much good flows. Loving people who we are afraid of, who have been unkind to us, who we don't understand can turn situations from bad to good. Love changes things for the better.

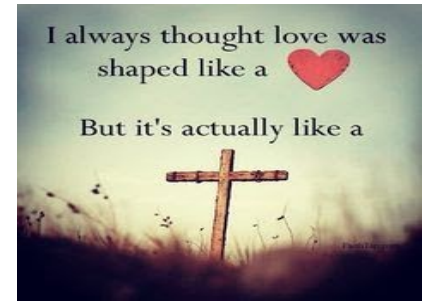
Question: Did you know that love is a fruit of the Spirit? It does not come naturally but comes as a result of the Spirit helping us to change our hearts toward others. Are you willing to ask the Holy Spirit to develop this fruit in your life so that we can love those who are hurting and don't know Jesus?

We are reminded of God's love for us each Sunday that we receive Holy Communion. Through God's love for us we can't help but want to serve others and show that love to them. Let us help you explore the best way for you to show love and serve in your Christian path. See Pastor Bob, or Maryanne Ditter who are willing to help you in your faith walk.

Notes: today I pray

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Prayers For The Week



Monday: Jesus I desire to be joyful always, to spend time with You in prayer and to always give thanks to You for all that I have seen you do. Help draw me closer to You so that this happens without even thinking about it. Amen.

Tuesday: Lord, help me to be bold enough to be willing to follow the plan You have for me. I desire to be doing Your Kingdom work to even a greater degree. Amen.

Wednesday: Holy Spirit show me clearly the ministry You have for me. I desire to be faithful in service to You. Please show me how to accomplish all that you are asking me to do. Amen.

Thursday: Jesus I need You to draw me closer so that I am more faithful in spending time with You. Help remind me of the importance of reading Your word and spending time in prayer. Amen.

Friday: Holy Spirit, You desire to place within us the fruit of Your Spirit. None of these can be done by me alone. Give me all I need to especially love the unloveable. Amen.



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and worship on Sunday
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