

AMPLIFY our Weekly Message / 1.24.21

These **discussions** and recommended **spiritual practices** are designed to help **AMPLIFY** the impact of our Sunday morning teaching from God's Word. Choose the ones that fit best in your context.

Sunday Discussion

This is designed to be an extension of our Sunday worship service. Take a few minutes to have this conversation with those who watched the worship service with you. If you watched alone, give another friend who watched alone a call and have the conversation over the phone.

How have you experienced affectionate friendship or functional partnership recently? Share something that was said or sung in the worship service that resonated with you. Take a moment to pray with and for the person with whom you just shared.

Daily Discussion

These are intended for conversation around the dinner table, in the car, or before bed at night (designed for ages 7 and up). Start each conversation by reading the passage listed.

Monday: Philippians 1:3-6. Paul expresses deep thanks for the Philippians. Name some things for which you're feeling deeply thankful?

Tuesday: Philippians 1:3-6. Partnership here means fellowship, community, sharing, membership, participation. Describe your experience of this *partnership in the gospel*.

Wednesday: Philippians 1:3-6. Describe some work God has done in you. Describe some work He's in the process of doing.

Thursday: Philippians 1:7-8. How do you express your affection for your partners in the gospel?

Friday: Philippians 1:7-8. What seems to be the root of Paul's affection for the Philippians? How do you relate with that?

Saturday: What part of Philippians has struck you in your reading of it this week?

Weekly Discussion

Spiritual friends are those who intentionally move into one another's life to spur one another on in spiritual growth for the Glory of God.

1. What is one thing that you have found yourself talking to God about a lot recently?
2. How has God pursued you recently?
3. How has God used you recently?
4. How has God corrected you recently?

What follows are some spiritual practices that we believe could feed your soul and advance His Kingdom this week.

An Inward-Focused Spiritual Practice

Daily spiritual discipline – Focus in on Philippians 1:3-8 this week. Commit some or all of it to memory. Carefully consider this questions as you meditate on this text.

Who does God want you to express your affection to in the church this week?

How does God want you to share your gifts and resources with the church this week?

Where does God want you to hang in there in the face of difference or disagreement or disappointment and to stand firm, one in spirit and in purpose, striving side by side for the faith of the gospel?

An Outward-Focused Spiritual Practice

Seek to love those God places in your path. Be intentional to share Jesus's love through word or deed with them.

With the love of Jesus in view, reach out to a neighbor or co-worker or someone in need.

Step into one of our Shalom for the City initiatives and share Jesus with our local community.

Get on our weekly prayer email and start lifting these prayers and praises up to the Lord.