

AMPLIFY our Weekly Message / 5.8.22

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.

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: God is holy - above and apart from us in His character. How do you see this as true?

Tuesday: What is difficult about the concept of God's holiness? What is comforting about the concept of God's holiness.

Wednesday: God is transcendent – above and apart from us in His nature. How do you see this as true?

Thursday: God is love – above and apart from us relationally. How do you see this as true?

Friday: Read Exodus 34:6-7. What do you find encouraging and challenging about these verses?

Saturday: What's an aspect of God's character that you've experienced recently?

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. How has God encouraged, challenged or corrected you recently?
2. What's a way that you believe God has used you recently or wants to use you this week?

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 – Spend some time this week meditating on the thoughts and questions below.

“Intimacy with God is directly based on knowing God.” – David Henderson

“A little knowledge of God is worth more than a great deal of knowledge about God.” – J.I. Packer

God reveals Himself to His people.

God is Holy: Exodus 19 and 20

God is transcendent: Exodus 24:10, Daniel 10:5-6, Psalm 100:1-3, Revelation 4:11, 1 Corinthians 8:6, Acts 17:24-28

God is love: Exodus 33-34

J.I. Packer on God’s jealousy

“a praiseworthy zeal to preserve something [a love relationship that is] supremely precious”

“His jealousy presupposes his covenant love, and this love is no transitory affection”

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.

Get involved with one of the Shalom of the City outreach initiatives:

<https://www.covenantepc.org/ministries/shalom-for-the-city/>

Get on our weekly prayer email (go to the “watch live” page and sign up for the prayer list) and start lifting these prayers and praises up to the Lord.