Upside Down : The Story of Ruth

GROWING IN GRACE

I need to develop godly attitudes.

A) Pray for godly attitudes in general & certain attitudes in particular. B) Ask others to pray the same thing for you.

C) Repeat the attitude to help it sink in. Do this in conjunction with A & B!

Attitudes.

1) The Gospel will shape me to be honest with God.

2) I enter the Jesus way on my own, but I walk the Jesus Way with Jesus and His people.

3) Lord, help me to recognize idols - and then worship You alone instead.

I need to grow in prayer.

A great way to do this is to learn to pray the Bible. Pray this prayer until you can pray without reading:

Almighty God, my heart is always open to You, and You know me better than I know myself. Forgive me for my self-serving politeness to You. Please grow me as a disciple of Jesus gripped by the Gospel who can be honest with You and learn to live for Your glory. In Jesus' name, Amen.

I need to get God's word in my mind and heart.

"Their feet are swift to shed blood; in their paths are ruin and misery"

Romans 3:15-16

I need to do something or start to do something.

Complete the following sentence: "In light of God's word, the Holy Spirit is leading me to _____."



WELCOME TO CHURCH OF THE MESSIAH!

We are glad you are here! We are a prayerful, Bible-teaching, evangelical church in the heart of the city with a heart for the city and the world. We are a member of the Anglican Network in Canada and part of the Fellowship of Confessing Anglicans. We seek to be a biblically faithful and orthodox church within the Anglican Way of following Jesus.



Are you new? Get connected!

Is this your first visit to Church of the Messiah? Thank you for being with us. Interested in learning more about Messiah and getting connected? Please complete a *Connect Card* (available from a door host) and place it in the offering basket.

Nursery & Sunday School

Nursery (0 - 24 months) and Sunday School (2 yrs - Grade 6) are available at the 10am service. Nursery children meet in the Green Room in the basement (ask a door host). Sunday school kids are invited to follow the cross after the last worship song.



Making disciples of Jesus, gripped by the gospel, living for God's glory.

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Today's service: http://bible.com/ events/474961

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EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUNDAY SCHOOL Registration





A new patch has begun in Caldwell, Ottawa!

They are in need of an electric kettle, coffee table, arm chairs and shelves! Contact chelsea@movein.to

> MESSERH YOUTH begins September 18th @ Mutchmor Public School @7pm



(NEW!) Monday 7:15 - 130 College Circle (Women's study group)

Wednesday 7:30pm - Hintonburg (see Shannon Ripley)

Thursday 10am - Moms & Tots (see Anna Hadwen) 7pm - 267 Sunnyside Ave



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September 9th, 2018

Hospitality

Dear Friends.

Most of us would like to be hospitable. However, it is easy to slip into being unhospitable. Please pray that we at Messiah will grow into being more hospitable. Below are a few pointers for you to pray about and to put into practice Please remember that most of us do not wake up and say to ourselves - "today, I will not show hospitality". Instead, with good intentions we drift into closing our hearts to others, and we live in an inhospitable way.

Let's look at our Sunday gathering.

First, please pray for those with special roles: the hosts, the coffee people, the nursery workers, and the Sunday school workers. Please pray that more and more people will enter into these ministries. Pray that we will welcome well! Pray that we will be attentive to people's needs and have a helpful attitude.

Second, please pray that those of us with leadership roles in the service will have a genuinely welcoming manner, and that we help people understand and enter into what God is doing in our midst. Pray that everyone present, members and guests, will be open to the Holy Spirit - receptive to His welcoming presence and power.

Third, when the service is over, practice the 5 minute rule. Our natural inclination is to seek out our friends when the service is over. With the 5 minute rule, you commit to spending the first 5 minutes noticing someone you have not seen at worship before or you have not seen in guite a while. Then you walk towards them to say "Hi". Invite them up to the lobby for coffee. Introduce them to your friends.

Do not worry about embarrassing yourself in this. You know what I mean, you say, "Hi! Is this your first Sunday?" Then they say "I've been coming here for years!" Don get embarrassed, have a laugh together instead. We are not a big church, but it is easy to miss people.

The 5 minute rule is really great to practice at coffee time as well. When you enter the lobby – or after you have got your cup of coffee and your cookie – scan the room to see if there is someone standing by themselves or a couple by themselves. Grab a friend and walk over to him/her/them and say "Hi!" If the person who has come to the coffee time, it usually means they would like to meet people. Once again, do not only connect with them, help them connect with others. And oh yes - do not worry about an age gap when you say "Hi" to someone. Hospitable is hospitable. Covering all age gaps, leaving our age or social class silos is often seen as being very welcoming and hospitable.

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