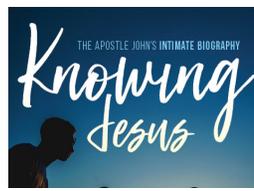


God the Father's witness about Jesus

Reading: John 5: 30-47



GROWING IN GRACE

I need to develop godly attitudes.

- Pray for godly attitudes in general & certain attitudes in particular.
- Ask others to pray the same thing for you.
- Repeat the attitude to help it sink in. Do this in conjunction with A & B!

Attitudes.

- Christ makes me alive to be a mirror filled with the glory of God and reflecting the glory of God.
- The more I care about what people think, the less I believe in Jesus.
- I will search the Scriptures daily, praying they will abide in me.

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: *Lord Jesus Christ, I confess that I care too much about what people think of me. I also care too much when they do not think of me! I am powerless against this. I thank You that You, Life-Itself, died for me, so that by faith in You I may have life and live. Please grow in me a deeper trust in You - who You are, what You have accomplished, what You have said - so that I may know what people think about me with the freedom, self-possession and peace that only comes from trusting You and living for God's glory. In Jesus' name . Amen!!*

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

All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work. 2 Timothy 3: 16-17

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 _____."

GOING DEEPER

For this week:

Go to <http://messiahchurch.ca/wp-content/uploads/2017/11/John-Ch-530-Ch-9.pdf>

and follow pages 2 and 3



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Are you new? Get connected!

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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.



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Praying DWBS for Messiah

Dear friends,

I sometimes wish I was better at turning points into either an acronym or have all of the points begin with the same letter. My friend, Rick, is a real pro at this. His wife, Linda, jokes that if you give him an hour, he can find some way of turning points into one of these two easily memorable forms.

One of my successful attempts at this comes in the area of preaching and teaching. I tell people to remember FACES. They are to be FAITHFUL to the Biblical text; seek to come up with APT illustrations and explanations; seek to be CLEAR in what they say; seek to EXALT the Lord in their preaching/teaching; and they are to seek to be SIMPLE (but not simplistic!). Of course, they are also to think of the faces of the people they will be opening the Bible with.

I have had no such luck with DWBS – partly because I want to pray this in the right order. If anyone can turn these prayer areas into an acronym, please let me know!

DEEPER: Please pray for Messiah, that we will go deeper. Deeper in prayer, in discipleship, in worship. Deeper in knowing about the Lord and deeper in knowing Him – One God in Three Persons. Deeper in our walk with Jesus and deeper in our walk with others who are learning to walk with Jesus.

WIDER: Please pray for Messiah, that we will have a wider and wider influence for the good of people and the glory of God. We get wider in two ways. One way is through our working together in programs or ministries or events. This is important, but definitely not the only way or even the most important way that we have a wide influence. The second way is in the day-to-day lives of those of us who call Messiah their church home. Every one of us has a vocation and is to use our daily life for the good of people and for the glory of the Lord.

BIGGER: Please pray for Messiah, that we will grow numerically. People matter to God and people can be counted! So, please pray that God will use us in evangelism and that Christians moving to Ottawa will join us.

SMALLER: Please pray for Messiah, that we will grow smaller. By this I mean that small groups will multiply. Mentoring and discipling relationships will multiply. Friendships will multiply. We do not want Messiah to be a crowd that gathers, but a community gathered around Jesus by the Gospel.

Finally, friends, please pray. Thank you for praying.

George



Wednesdays

7:30pm @ 84 Fairmont Ave

Thursdays

10am - Moms & Tots (see Anna Hadwen)

7pm - @ 267 Sunnyside Ave @ 110 Nelson St



Please contact the office by March 18 to include the names of loved ones you wish to remember in the Easter bulletin.

As is our custom, we will collect non-perishable food and gently-used clothing for St Joe's Supper Table until Easter Sunday, April 1.

The office will be closed from March 22 until April 9. Voicemail will be checked weekdays.

