

The Holy Ghost

Week 10: Nothin' Like it

Oil represents the [PRESENCE OF GOD](#)

In the parable of the 10 Bridesmaids...[WE ARE THE LAMPS](#) our lives (body, soul, spirit) are the container....and there's a sense in which we are empty. That's why we need to be filled with the presence of God. (the oil in Jesus' parable)

We were made/designed/created to live on the presence of Holy Spirit in our lives

[SUSTAINING](#) us

[ENERGIZING](#) us

[EMPOWERING](#) us

"The normal Christian life is filled with the presence of God."

John Eldridge

Don't be drunk with wine, because that will ruin your life. Instead, be filled with the Holy Spirit. Ephesians 5:18

What are your current spiritual [ROUTINES?](#)

Are they getting you in touch with the presence of God? If not, try out some new spiritual rhythms. Spiritual disciplines are not an "end to themselves" they were designed to bring us closer in our relationship with God.

Draw near to God and He will draw near to you. James 4:8

The Spirit of God, who raised Jesus from the dead, lives in you. And just as God raised Jesus from the dead, He will give life to your mortal bodies by this same Spirit living within you. Romans 8:11

How to receive forgiveness from God:

- 1) Admit you, like everyone else, need a new life in Jesus.
- 2) Ask God to forgive your sins by the sacrifice of Jesus.
- 3) Receive new life from God by trusting in Jesus as your Savior & Lord.

You can do that now by simply talking to God in a prayer like this:

Dear Lord Jesus, I know I am a sinner, and I ask for your forgiveness. I believe you died for my sins and rose from the dead. Today, I receive you as my Savior; and I put my faith in you as my LORD. Help me to live for you all the days of my life. In your name, Amen.

If you chose to follow Jesus today, text "FAITH" to 309-250-2007 to receive additional information about next steps in following Jesus.

RESOURCES:

John Eldridge- Wild @ Heart Podcast: <https://wildatheart.org>

(Podcasts referenced in the message are from: Tapping into the presence of God, Part 1 & Part 2. January 24 & 31, 2022)

Lectio 365- <https://apps.apple.com>

One Minute Pause App - www.pauseapp.com

Levi Lusko Message: <https://thebelonging.co> (Message from 7.3.22)

Book: How to Pray, A Simple Guide for Normal People, Pete Greig

By Signs and Wonders, Stephen D. Elliott

Open to the Spirit, Scott McNight

Invitation to Solitude and Silence, Ruth Haley Barton

Sacred Rhythms, Ruth Haley Barton

Join us in JULY!

July 16th Young Adult Float Trip. All graduating high school seniors and young adults ages 18-22 are invited to join us for a kayak trip this summer. We will leave Bettendorf campus at 8am and travel to Monticello, Iowa for a day on the river. Seats are limited so head to the Church Center app and get registered today!

Registration is NOW OPEN!

River Baptism August 14, 2022

Backwater Gambler's Ski Club on the Rock River

(Behind Rock Island Campus)

4PM-6PM

Interim Senior Pastor, Chris Conrad. July 10, 2022
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