

GROWING DEEPER IN CHRIST

Psalm 1 // January 29, 2023

THE PROBLEMS OF PRAYER

Like our time with the Word, our time in prayer hits many roadblocks. But again, we know that problem itself isn't prayer, but the problem is us. Prayer, despite being incredibly easy from a physical standpoint, can be one of the hardest things we do. Staying focused, not being repetitious, not getting bored, and not making it just about ourselves can be huge challenges and can be very discouraging. But our hope rests not in ourselves, but in Christ inside of us.

Galatians 3.3-6 // Colossians 2.7

For every one look at yourself, take 10 looks at Christ.

-Robert M'Cheyne

**One look at Christ will you do more good
than poring over your own wounds for a month.**

-John Newton

GROWING DEEPER IN CHRIST THROUGH PRAYER

Some Building Materials for Your Trellis

- Tell others and ask them to join you.
- Find a spot and a time for focused prayer.
- Meditate on the Word

Psalm 1.1-4 // Joshua 1.8 // Psalm 119.27 // Psalm 143.27

**The Word isn't received as it flits about in the brain.
But when it takes root in the depth of the heart.**

-John Calvin

- Memorizing Scripture
- Pray the Scriptures
- Pray Aloud

KEEP ASKING, SEEKING, AND KNOCKING

Trees don't grow overnight. We may know that they need water, but we have to also learn where to water best. You may have to try various times, ways, and methods to find what works well for you. This is part of the pursuit! Don't give up, but believe that it is God's desire for you to know Him more deeply, and ask Him for help to grow little by little.

Matthew 7.7-11



NOTES:

Announcements:

- **GPS (Gospel Positioning Strategy)** at CAHS on Wednesday, February 1st @ 6:30pm.

- **Community Group Kickoff Week.** Sunday, January 29th.

This Week's Scripture to Memorize:

Hebrews 13:8

Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.

ARE YOU NEW HERE?

WELCOME TO LIFE MISSION!

We'd love for you to **fill out a Connection Card** so we can welcome you and answer any questions you may have. You can drop it in the offering basket during the service or take it to one of our teammates at the **Connection Booth** outside. Feel free to grab some coffee and snacks in the courtyard and hang out. We hope you'll **join us next Sunday** and consider making us your church family.

WHAT ABOUT THE KIDS?

Our childrens' ministry, which we call **Kids on Mission**, has classes for **newborns - 5th grade**. We have a great team of volunteers who have all been screened with background checks for extra security. Each week your child will get to **worship** with their class, followed by an **age-appropriate lesson** that points them towards Jesus and helps root them in the Word of God.

Visit our website to read more about the vision of Kids on Mission and a walkthrough of our curriculum. If you have any questions, email **Amber Willis at amber@lifemission.tv**

JUNIOR HIGH & HIGH SCHOOL

Our **6th - 8th graders** begin each Sunday by **worshipping with the adults** and then head to their classroom with their teacher and classmates for the rest of service. Visit our website to read more about our junior high ministry and a walkthrough of our curriculum.

Our **9th-12th graders stay in the service** with the adults because we believe that it is crucial for them to not "graduate the faith" when they graduate high school.

For more information about our Junior High & High School ministries, email **Tyler Willis at tyler@lifemission.tv**.

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COMMUNITY GROUP HOMEWORK

Building Your Trellis for Vibrant Vine Growth

Daily Devotionals

- **Gospel Primer** by Milton Vincent
 - Very short and Gospel rich reminders. Very formative devotional.
- **Be Thou My Vision** by Jonathan Gibson
 - "Liturgical" style devotion with rich prayers and writings from history.
- **New Morning Mercies** by Paul Tripp
- **Life Liturgy 50 Day Devotional** by Jobey McGinty

Family Devotionals

- **Long Story Short** (OT) and **Old Story New** (NT)
 - 10 minute devotionals for families with object lessons. Companion to the Gospel Story Bible

Bible Reading Plans

- **Chronological 1 Year Plan**
 - Easy 1 Year Plan that takes you through the Word in historical order. A study guide is also available.
- **M'Cheyne Bible Reading Plan**
 - Popular 1 Year Reading Plan
- **2 Year Bible Reading Plan**
 - Go through the Word at a slower, deeper pace.

Scripture Memory

- **Index Card System**
 - Email katie@lifemission.tv if you would like a "starter set" of 3x5 cards of all the above verses as well as guidance on how to get started with just 5 or 10 minutes per day.
 - You'll get 36 Gospel Scriptures printed out on cards. Put all the cards in the back of a Memory Verse Box. Choose 1 card to begin with. We can help you with how to keep going after that.

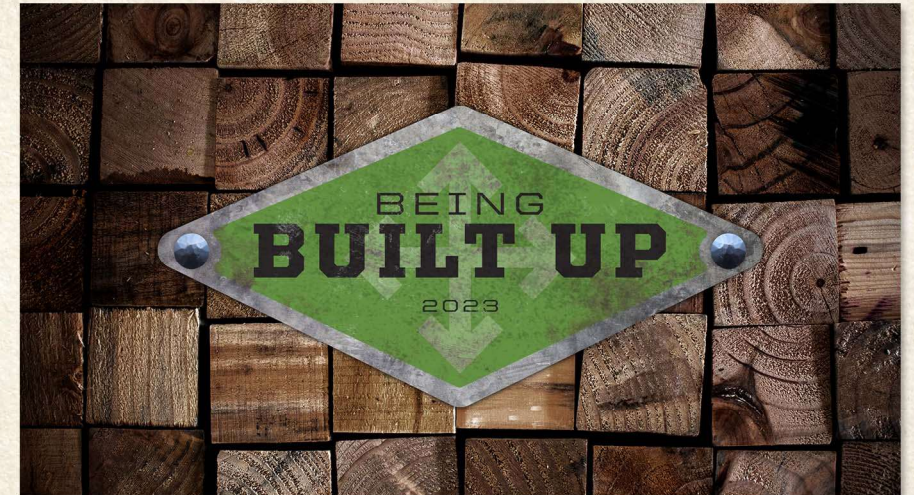
Apps

- **Solid Joys** by John Piper for daily Gospel truths and reminders.
- **Fighter Verses** from Desiring God to help with Scripture memorization.
- **Dwell** to listen to Scripture being read with music in the background.



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WHO ARE SAVED, EQUIPPED, AND SENT BY THE GOSPEL.



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