

JOURNEY OF Faith

For we walk by
faith, not by
sight.
2 Corinthians
5:7

September 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 <i>Worship</i> 10 A.M. Evening 6 P.M.	 Labor Day	4	5	6	7	8
9 <i>Worship</i> 10 A.M. Evening 6 P.M.	10	11	12 <i>Ladies Refreshing</i> 6:30 P.M. <i>All ladies welcome</i>	13	14	15 <i>Church Picnic</i> 4 P.M. <i>Eat at 5 P.M.</i>
16 <i>Worship</i> 10 A.M. Evening 6 P.M.	17	18	19	20	21	22
23 <i>Worship</i> 10 A.M. Evening 6 P.M.	24	25	26	27	28	29
30 <i>Worship</i> 10 A.M. Evening 6 P.M.	Church Picnic September 15th.... Please bring a covered dish.. Come join in a day of fellowship & games					

Happy
September
Birthday's

Pleasant Grove Pentecostal Church
From the Pastor's desk

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Places matter to God

You see, God made places before He even made people. Jesus knew the Holy Spirit would appear and reveal Himself in a specific Place Acts 2:2-4. Jesus scheduled miracles to occur in specific places as in John 5:2-6 at the Pool of Bethesda. The instruction of Jesus to a blind man was to go to a specific place. John 9:7 Go wash in the Pool of Siloam. Naaman, the leper, was instructed by the Prophet to dip in the Jordan River seven times to receive his healing. The place of Obedience.

Rebellion to enter the place of obedience always produces tragic results as in Jonah 1. So nothing could be more important than the Secret Place where you enter the presence of God and become changed, corrected, informed and loved. Jesus often minister to Thousands. Yet, when He wanted to impart and create radical change in His disciples, He pulled them aside into a place of privacy Mark 6:31. Each of us need this to come to the place we need to be spiritually. Solitude is necessary for intimacy. Intimacy is Necessary for impartation. Impartation is necessary for change. You too must move away from the voices of others to distinguish His voice . Withdraw from the crowds. Disconnect from the demands of relationships. Depart from deceptive influences.

We need to create a private place, sanctify a Holy Place to intensify our relationship with God. Those who invest time in the Secret Place are rewarded with the secrets of God. When you spend time in the secret place of the Most High, you will become Addicted to his Presence. When I delay entering the Secret Place I can almost visualize the Lord standing at the door stating "You Have not sought me today. You are trying to do everything without pursuing my counsel."

I want you to remember, thinking is not praying, worrying is not praying, discussing problems is not praying. You need a Secret Place just for Him. As in psalm 91 He that dwelleth in the Secret Place of the Most high, shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty. He that dwelleth, you can't just past through, but spend time there. The purpose of discipline is to birth a habit. The Uncommon achievers do daily what common men do occasionally. How long should you stay in the Secret Place? Stay long enough To receive his command for your life.

Find you Secret Place with God.

Pastor Denny

Someone has said that if Christians really understood the full extent of the power we have available through prayer we might be speechless. In W.W.II there was an advisor to Churchill who organized a group of people who dropped what they were doing every day at a prescribed hour for one minute to collectively pray for the safety of England, Its people and peace.

There is now a group of people organizing the same thing here in America. If you would like to participate, every evening at 9:00 P.M. Eastern Time stop whatever you are doing and spend one minute praying for the safety of the US, our troops, our citizens And for peace in the world.

Never Stop Praying

Prayer is an essential aspect of spiritual warfare. In fact, it is the lifeblood of those who seek to be victorious. And that's why Satan would like nothing better than to keep us from praying, so he sends us distractions, discouragement, delays, and disappointment. Satan is a master at deception and discouragement.

If, for instance, you have two productive days of watchful prayer, Satan might let you believe that you have finally mastered the discipline of prayer. Then, on the third day when you fail to be watchful in prayer, he will tell you that you're an utter failure, that you've completely blown it, and that there's no use trying any further. If you miss one day in fruitful prayer, Satan can try to convince you that you are beyond help and hope -- that you needn't try again. But the good news is, there's a secret to overcoming Satan's deception. As with any other area of the spiritual life, if you fail, the thing to do is begin again. There is no permanent failure in learning to be a faithful disciple of Jesus. If you have a bad day in your prayer life, purpose to begin again! Don't give in to the devils tactics that are designed specifically to keep you from praying.

The enemy of our souls wants to keep us from developing a relationship that he knows will bring joy and satisfaction to us. So, by the grace of God, we need to commit to keep on praying. Only in the process of praying will we find the meaning of life: a dynamic, personal relationship with the Creator, the living Lord, the Babe of Bethlehem, the Savior of the cross, the resurrection-morning Victor, the One who is life to us.

A well-known Billy Graham story is about a woman who wrote that she had pleaded in prayer for ten years for the conversion of her husband but that he was more hardened than ever. Mr. Graham advised her to keep praying. One day he received another letter. The husband had been gloriously saved. "Suppose she had stopped after only ten years," said the evangelist. Then he added, "Never stop praying no matter how dark and hopeless your case may seem."

You cannot pray the Lord's Prayer and even once say "I". You cannot pray the Lord's Prayer and even once say "My".

Nor can you pray the Lord's Prayer and not pray for another; for to ask for our daily bread, you include sister and brother.

All God's children are included in each and every plea; from the beginning to the end of it, it does not once say "Me".

OUT OF GRATITUDE AND ADORATION
PRAISE GOD!

- Pray Continually
- Read the Word Every Day
- Acknowledge Jesus as Lord
- Invest Yourself in Mentoring
- Serve and Share Your Faith
- Encourage One Another Daily

Life is an Echo
What you send out ~ comes back
What you sow ~ you get
What you give ~ you get
What you see in others ~
exist in you
Your Life Is An Echo
It Always Gets Back To You.

When I awoke this morning I asked myself, “What is life about?” The fan said, “Be cool.” The roof said, “Aim high.” The window said, “See the world.” The clock said, “Every minute is precious.” The mirror said, “Reflect before you act.” The calendar said, “Be up to date.” The door said, “Push hard for you goals.” The floor said, “Kneel down and pray.” God whispered I will take you to it all.

Faith Step: Think about those you know who have lost loved ones or experienced sorrow in some way. Ask Jesus to help you find sensitive ways to help bear their burdens.

If you have not received that gift of eternal life with Him, then pray this short prayer to the One who gave us victory over death through Jesus Christ.

I know that I am a sinner and need your forgiveness. I believe that Jesus Christ died for my sins. I am willing to turn from my sins. I now invite Jesus Christ to come into my heart and life as my personal Savior. I will confess you before men, study your Word and live according to your will as you guide me. Thank you for sending Jesus so that I might have eternal life.

Your word says in Romans 10:9-10 “That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised Him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness. And with the mouth Confession is made unto salvation. Amen

Prayer Request

Place request in prayer basket at the altar, or mail them and we will place them in the prayer basket for you.

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