



Midweek Teaching Notes

HOSTING THE PRESENCE (Part 2) 05/15/2024

Read: Song Of Solomon 5:2-8

-Every revelation is an invitation.

-He was the one that INITIATED

Read: Psalm 27:8, Ephesians 5:14, Isaiah 60:1

-Conviction is the grace that stirs the heart to repentance.

-God knocks with His voice.

-When God speaks, He is looking for ACCESS.

-His message is “open to me.”

-Life’s pace, pressures, pleasures, and problems have a way of “closing us off” to the presence of God.

- “Hosting” the presence of God has to do with HUNGER.

-Spending time in God’s presence requires both discipline and desire.

-The call to intimacy is a challenge to our COMFORT.

-This is a call AWAY FROM the “self-centered” life.

-Read: Revelation 3:20

-Hunger is an “active” state...it results in you seeking out the object of desire that will satisfy your need.

“I have come to realize that the real tragedy in the church is not spiritual famine; it is famine without hunger, dryness without thirst.”



1. Realize what you are MISSING.
2. Pray for hunger to be restored.
 - a. Even the desire to seek God is a gift from God.
 - b. Read: John 6:44
 - c. Hunger for God has its own language, and that language is prayer.
 - d. Read Matthew 5:8
3. Recall your hunger for God.
 - a. Read: Revelation 2:4-5; 2 Timothy 4:10
4. Catch hunger for God from others.
5. Listen to worship that stirs your hunger.
6. Act on your hunger for God
 - a. "Eat when you are hungry.
 - b. Read Psalm 34:8; Song of Solomon 7:10

When D.L. Moody was asked why he placed so much emphasis upon being filled with the Holy Spirit, he said, "Because I leak."