

#### The Gospel of Mark

#### 4-10-22 – Palm Sunday

#### Mark 1:35 – part 2

## 1 John 4:17 " ... In this world we are like Jesus"

# Ephesians 5:1 "Follow God's example, therefore, as dearly loved children"

# Romans 8:29 " ... For those God foreknew He also predestined to be conformed to the image of His Son ..."

#### John 15:4

"Remain in Me, as I also remain in you..."

## Galatians 5:16 " ... walk by the Spirit ..."

Galatians 5:25 " ... let us keep in step with the Spirit.

## Luke 5

15 Yet the news about Him spread all the more, so that crowds of people came to hear Him and to be healed of their sicknesses. 16 But Jesus often withdrew to lonely places and prayed.

#### Prayer = relationship

#### Acts of Prayer

Spirit of Prayer

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A never-ending communion that includes frequent conscious conversations and continual subconscious abiding

#### Prayer = Our #1 Life Habit/Commitment

# The one thing to prioritize above all others

#### Spirit of Prayer

1 Thessalonians 5:17 "pray continually"

# Colossians 4:2 Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful.

1 Timothy 2:8 Therefore I want the men everywhere to pray, lifting up holy hands without anger or disputing

#### 1. Dedicated quiet times

#### 2. Constant check ins

#### 3. Continuous conversation

#### This is what Jesus did

#### This is where the Joy is

1 Timothy 2:1 I urge, then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for all people

2 Chronicles 7:14 if my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive their sin and will heal their land.

Mark 11:17 And He began to teach and say to them, "Is it not written: 'My house will be called a house of prayer for all the nations'? But you have made it a den of robbers."

Isaiah 56:7; Jeremiah 7:11

What do you think about prayers that are written for you – like the book entitled "The Power of the Praying Parent?"

My prayer life typically consists of me doing all the talking. Rarely do I include time for listening. Is listening an important component of prayer? How do we develop our prayer time to encompass listening? Is it as simple as just sitting and being still?

In the verses after Mark 1:35, Jesus gets to the business of the Father. Shouldn't we follow His example, and not let our quiet time stay personal and individual but apply it be getting to the work of the Father?

#### Joshua 7:10

## 10 The Lord said to Joshua, "Stand up! What are you doing down on your face?

Acts 1:11 "Men of Galilee," they said, "why do you stand here looking into the sky? This same Jesus, who has been taken from you into heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen Him go into heaven."

### Jeremiah 1

17 Get yourself ready! Stand up and say to them whatever I command you. Do not be terrified by them, or I will terrify you before them.

#### Mary vs Martha

We want to keep first things first things, best things first – then, actions that are bathed and birthed in prayer – purposeful and prompted by the Lord

The point of all spiritual focus and activity is to manifest itself in the practical realm – it's always about living life, never escaping it – it's the key to living life powerfully and purposefully

James 1:22

How important is it that this time is in the morning? I know it's best to start our day that way, but you mention lunch breaks ...

# Best advice for parents with young children with variable (and very early) wake-up schedules.

I find myself "not in the mood" to dive into God's Word when I really need to. How can I combat this? When laziness takes over and you know you need to study His Word?

# We exercise discipline until duty becomes delight.

Is it possible to overvalue the great commission ore than intimacy with God? Can the great commission be seen as the lesser? God
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We want to love the Bible, worship and every means of honoring God – but always as a means to honor God, not as a rival to or replacement for God I understand the purpose of prayer and how it brings us closer to God, what is the purpose or benefit of fasting?

