

The Oaks Community Church
Worship Guide



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I. A Call to Worship

So if the Son sets you free, you are truly free. John 8:36 (NLT)

II. Family Confession & Greeting

Soul Care Principle #14

Spiritual formation is the lifelong work of God making every part of us more like Jesus.

May God Himself, the God of peace, sanctify you through and through... The one who calls you is faithful, and He will do it. I Thessalonians 5:23–24

III. Worshipping God through Our Offerings

Give generously and generous gifts will be given back to you, shaken down to make room for more. Abundant gifts will pour out upon you with such an overflowing measure that it will run over the top! The measurement of your generosity becomes the measurement of your return.” Luke 6:38 (TPT)



IV. Actions & Assurance

For A Healthy & Thriving Soul
I Thessalonians 5:16-24
Pastor Gary Barber

Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, in everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. Do not quench the Spirit. Do not despise prophecies. Test all things; hold fast what is good. Abstain from every form of evil. Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you completely; and

may your whole spirit, soul, and body be preserved blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. He who calls you is faithful, who also will do it. I Thessalonians 5:16-24 (NKJV)

❖ Historical background of I Thessalonians and its key themes

- Sanctification = “Jesusification” - to become like Jesus
- Sanctification: 1) to be set apart from sin 2) to be set apart for God 3) to be filled with God Himself.

Soul Care is partnering with God in His process of Sanctification so that we can have a healthy and thriving soul.

- Intimacy with God & my Identity in Christ
- Repentance & Breaking Family Sin Patterns
- Forgiveness, Healing Wounds, & Overcoming Fears
- Freedom, Victory in our spiritual battles, & Overcoming evil
- Cultivating Healthy Soil in our hearts
- God’s gift of Grieving
- Bounded set (Legalism) vs. Centered Set (Grace)
- Failure & Restoration

Soul Care is accessing and enjoying the new covenant God has given us in His Son and through His Spirit.

- Hebrews 8:7-12

The Holy Spirit also testifies to us about this. First He says: “This is the covenant I will make with them after that time, says the Lord. I will put my laws in their hearts, and I will write them on their minds.” Then He adds: “Their sins and lawless acts I will remember no more.” Hebrews 10:15-17 (NIV)

❖ Prayer, Reflection, Communion, Worship, & Interaction with God