

Read James 4:8-10

Come near to God and he will come near to you. Wash your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded. Grieve, mourn, and wail. Change your laughter to mourning and your joy to gloom. Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will lift you up.

First let’s be honest with ourselves.

Answer the following honestly as a family or silently to yourselves:

What are some of the blessings God has for you in your life that you may be missing out on?

Here are some examples that we talked about this morning:

- Financial provision
- Overcoming depression
- Good health
- Healing
- Recovering marriage

What are you holding on to? Here are some examples we talked about this morning:

- Pride
- Lust
- Lying
- Fear of judgement
- Fear of disappointment
- Anxiety in life and situations

Discuss what is holding you back from emptying yourself? What is holding you back from letting go of you?

Prayer:

Lord, I come before you today broken. I know I have things that I have been holding on to. I am ready to let go. Lord, I ask you to empty me of “me”. I ask you to take away anything unacceptable. Lord, fill me with the Holy Spirit. Let my life and my words shine. Make me a light in this world for you. I need you and love you. I pray this in Jesus holy name. Amen

<p>Velocity (Middle and High School Students) Velocity: Meet at the church this Wednesday, Jan. 17th. Gravity: No Gravity Today</p> <p>Today’s Songs <i>I Believe</i>.....Phil Wickham <i>Honey in the Rock</i>.....Brooke Ligertwood <i>Praise</i>.....Brandon Lake</p> <p>Kenya Correspondence You can now correspond with the student you sponsored. There is a mailbox in the hallway for your letters, cards, and pictures. Everything needs to be flat and 11x14 or smaller. We will send to Kenya monthly.</p>	<p>KidsJAM “Let it Snow” Party Drop off kids for a “Let it Snow” party on Wednesday, January 17th from 6-7:30pm. A light supper will be served. Sign up at the KidsJAM Check-in Table.</p> <p>Father/ Daughter Dance Dance is February 9th at 6pm at Pine Needle Plantation (2891 Ellis Rd., Statesboro). Invitations go out today. Cost is \$30 per couple. Register at the Welcome Desk in the Lobby or online.</p> <p>Look Up Lodge Summer Camp for current 3rd-5th graders, May 28-31. Cost is \$249. Registration Online or KidsJAM. First 20 students to register and pay \$100 deposit, secures a spot.</p>
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