

Growing PRAISE

EVERY NIGHT...EVERY HOME...THE MOST IMPORTANT THINGS IN LIFE

23—29 September 2018

VERSE of the week: *Ephesians 1:17 & John 15:5*

“I pray for you constantly, asking God, the glorious Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, to give you spiritual wisdom & insight so that you might grow in your knowledge of God.”

“I am the vine; you are the branches. Those who remain in me, & I in them, will produce much fruit. For apart from me you can do nothing.”

TABLE GRACE

*O God who gives me
food each day,
& cares for me in every way:
in all the things I say & do,
help me to show
my love for you.
Amen.*

5 POINT CHECK UP

1. Share your highs (good times) and lows (bad times)
2. Read a verse from the Bible.
3. What do you find “best” in the text? What is most confusing or hard to understand? What does God want you to do ?
4. Pray for one another (**P**raise God, **T**hank Jesus, **A**sk the Holy Spirit).
5. Bless one another.

THOUGHT for the week:

“To be right with God the judge is a great thing, but to be loved & cared for by God the Father is even greater.”

“All my knowledge of him depends on his sustained initiative in knowing me.”

— J.I. Packer (both quotes)



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let's TALK

1. Gather in the name of the Father, Son & Holy Spirit. Share your highs/lows. Read Ephesians 1:15-23 & John 15:4-8. What strikes you as you read these verses?
2. **What does it mean to “really know” someone? Who is someone you really know? How did you reach that point in your “knowing” them?**
3. In vss 16-19, for what does Paul pray concerning the Ephesians? Why do you think Paul prays for those things? How might those effect the church in Ephesus & its mission, members & ministry? What could happen at Living Water if you prayed for those gifts here every day?
4. **If God's power toward/for/is us is so great, why do so many Christians & so many churches live ineffectively in the world? If you lived like you believed the power that raised Christ from the dead was alive in you, what might you actually do?**
5. According to Jesus (vs 5) what is our relationship to him? What are the implications of that understanding? (not just as individuals but as his church) How do you/we live what Jesus says we need? How is that a necessary result of vs 4?
6. Please read: John 6:35, 8:12, 10:9, 10:11, 11:25-26, 14:6 & 15:1. Seven times Jesus **uses the Old Testament “I Am” to further reveal his link to the Father. How is this last use in John 15 both a promise & a command for us? How will you carry it out?**

let's READ

Sunday	Job 42:5	Thursday	Jude 24
Monday	Psalms 119:41-42	Friday	Romans 6:4-7
Tuesday	Deuteronomy 4:7	Saturday	Jeremiah 9:23-24
Wednesday	John 17:1-3	<i>BONUS:</i>	Revelation 7:15-17

let's PRAY

PRAISE GOD for drawing close to you in love.

THANK JESUS for revealing the Father to you.

ASK THE HOLY SPIRIT to keep you steadfast in the love and presence of the Father.

let's BLESS

Make the sign of the cross on each other & say:

(Name), **✝**, child of God,
May the Father's presence
be real in you. Amen

