

MY GOD IN MOTION...

Do The Fathers Will

“Not everyone who says to Me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father in heaven.” Matthew 7:21-23

Virtual Home Group/Bible Study 2 Oct 2024

Agenda

- Purpose and Opening
- Topic: What, Why, How
- Discussion
- Next steps
- Resources
- Feedback and Future Topics
- Gratitude and Send off

Home Group / Bible Study

Purpose: Exhort one another into love and good works.

“And let us consider one another in order to stir up love and good works, not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as is the manner of some, but exhorting one another, and so much the more as you see the Day approaching.” Hebrews 10:24-25

Opening Prayer:

Thank you for Opportunity

Give Me Words

Open Out Eyes to See from your perspective

Open our Ears to Hear and understand Your Word

We seek your face

“...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 will forgive their sin and heal their land.” 2 Chronicles 7:14

Topic

- What: Do the Fathers Will
- Why:
 - Knowing ABOUT Jesus is not enough
 - We must get to KNOW Him
 - We get to know Him by doing the Fathers will

Knowing ABOUT Jesus is not enough

Matthew 7:21-23

21 “Not everyone who says to Me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but **he who does the will of My Father in heaven.**

22 Many will say to Me in that day, ‘Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Your name, cast out demons in Your name, and done many wonders in Your name?’

23 And then I will declare to them, ‘**I never knew you;** depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness!’

Know God & Jesus

John 17:3

And this is eternal life, that they **know you**, the only true God, **and Jesus Christ** whom you have sent.

John 14:7

“If you had **known Me**, you would have **known My Father** also; and from now on you know Him and have seen Him.”

Philippians 3:10

That I may **know him** and the power of his resurrection, and the **fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to His death**, if, by any means, I may attain to the resurrection from the dead.

Follow Jesus Model

Matthew 16:24-25

24 Then Jesus said to His disciples, “If anyone desires to come after Me, let him **deny himself**, and take up his cross, and **follow Me**.

25 For whoever desires to save **his** life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake will find it.

John 6:38

For I have come down from heaven, **not to do My own will, but the will of Him who sent Me**.

Matthew 6:9-10

9 In this manner, therefore, pray:

Our Father in heaven,
Hallowed be Your name.

10 Your kingdom come.

Your will be done
On earth as it is in heaven.

Become Like Jesus

Galatians 2:20

I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me.

1 John 4:17

Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness in the day of judgment; **because as He is, so are we in this world.**

How: Next Steps

- What can we do going forward?
 - Find more ways to flow love to others
 - Smile, Positive, Encourage
 - Good works: Serve, Donate, Help
 - Random Acts of Kindness, Step out
 - Pause / Reflect on your approach to situations
 - How much “ME” is involved
 - What would Jesus do?
 - Ask God for insight on your journey
 - What is working, What is not
 - Where is MY will not aligned with YOUR will
- How do we know it is working?
 - You will notice a shift
 - Noticing more opportunities
 - Recognizing more internal barriers to address
- What do we do when we notice a barrier?
 - Run to God
 - Thank Him for helping your notice, Caring is the first step
 - Seek to understand the driver (usually your self-centered will)
 - Repent
 - Claim calling to be better: We are clay, He is the potter, He will finish His work

Discussion

- Does this make sense
 - Questions
 - Clarification
 - Other inputs
- Practical Experiences in this Area
 - Success stories
 - Struggles / Barriers
 - Strategies to Overcome / Lesson Learned

Resources

Bible Study

- Why Assemble Together: <https://livingproof.co/hebrews-10-25-do-not-forsake-assembling/>

Identity and Purpose

- Dan Mohler: How to live each day with purpose <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=s2fzsxXwapE>

Transformation

- Dan Mohler: Water Baptism is a big deal https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gF_vyFvVGy8
- My Blog: Deny Yourself
<https://mygodinmotion.org/about-him-god-jesus/principles/deny-yourself-pick-up-your-cross-daily-follow-jesus/>

Becoming Love

- Random Acts of Kindness: <https://www.randomactsofkindness.org/>
- My Blog: Become Like Jesus, Become Love
<https://mygodinmotion.org/about-him-god-jesus/principles/become-like-jesus-become-love/>
- My Blog: Have you become Love? Here is a test...:
<https://mygodinmotion.org/about-him-god-jesus/principles/have-you-become-love-here-is-a-test/>

My “My God In Motion” Resources:

- Website: <https://mygodinmotion.org/>
Blog: <https://mygodinmotion.org/blog/>
Bible Studies: <Future>
- YouTube Channel: <https://www.youtube.com/@MyGodInMotion>
Testimonies:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CbFKYm25450&list=PLI6PAnzZDZErXGmKbc2nRDLRiQiZ43BxP>
Lessons Learned:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1uiA9jXKR10&list=PLI6PAnzZDZEr2uqOgCHn69NKhdckLlqvT>
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- Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/MGIMonFB>

Feedback

- What is working: Keep doing
 - Good content - food for thought
 - Good mix of content & discussion
 - Casual / Informal – Easy to engage
- What could be better: Suggestions to consider
 - Let folks do a quick intro to get familiar

Future Topics

Topic for next week:

- How do you get to know Jesus?

Topics currently in queue:

- Some recent work
 - What happened in the garden?
 - What happened to the image of God in us?
 - What does it mean to be a branch?
 - How is God's love perfected through us?
- List of candidate topics was shared in initial invite
 - Included in this presentation FYI
 - Will consolidate feedback from e-mail responses

Any hot topic of interest?

- Faith will be key as current issues unfold

Potential Topics

God		Adam/Eve/Sin/Fallen world	
	Why should an intelligent person believe in God?		What happened in the Garden?
	How can a loving and benevolent God allow suffering?		How does sin separate us from God?
	Is God "in control" of what happens here?		How is all sin rebellion against God?
	What is God's will and how can I understand it?		How did we inherit a flawed sinful nature from Adam?
	When He says love Him with ALL our heart, does he really mean ALL?		What are the consequences/wages of sin?
Bible		Jesus	
	What is the Bible and what makes it special/unique?		What evidence outside the Bible tells us Jesus was a real person?
	What evidence do we have that the Bible is credible?		Why did Jesus come here? Just so you could get to heaven?
	Hasn't the Bible been corrupted over the years?		Why is it important that Jesus came here as a human - the son of man?
	What are the key messages in the Bible?		Was Jesus God? Did he claim to be God?
	Am I supposed to take everything in the Bible literally?		Did Jesus exist before He appeared on earth?
	What are the best practices for reading the Bible?		What does it mean that "The Word became Flesh"?
	How does Scripture come alive?		What evidence do we have that Jesus was raised from the dead?
	What does it mean to "Eat the word of God"?		What evidence do we have that Jesus was the Messiah/the Christ?
	What is the "sword of the Spirit" and how do I use it?		What were Jesus' key teaching messages?
			What did He really accomplish on the cross?
Heaven and Hell			How could Jesus "become sin"?
	What evidence do we have that there is life after death?		What is special about His blood and His body?
	What is heaven like?		
	What is hell like?		
	How do folks end up in heaven or hell?	Holy Spirit	
	Why would a loving God punish people for eternity in hell?		What is the Trinity and how does that work?
	How can I know if I will end up in heaven or hell?		How do we receive the Holy Spirit?
			What does the Holy Spirit do in us?
			How do I know if I have the Holy Spirit in me?
			Are miracles for today?

Potential Topics

Salvation	
	Why do i need a saviour?
	I think I am a good person ! Won't that get me into heaven?
	My good far outweighs my bad - Won't that tip the scales and get me in?
	I am very religious, go to church, do stuff for God - Won't that buy my way in?
	God is love, I dont think He would ever punish someone in hell? Woud He?
	I said the sinners prayer once? That is all I need to do to get in, isnt it?
	What does it mean to "repent" of your sins? Have I done that?
	What does it mean to "believe God raised Jesus from the dead"? Do I?
	What does it mean to "confess Jesus as Lord"? Have I done it?
	What do I have to give up if I make Jesus lord of my life?
	What happens when I am saved? How do i know if I am saved?
Sanctification	
	What is the difference between salvation and sanctification?
	What does baptism accomplish? Is it necessary?
	I was baptized as an infant is that good enough?
	What does "crucify your flesh" mean?
	What does it mean to "bury your body of sin"
	What does it mean to "put off the old man" and "put on Christ" mean?
	What does "Deny yourself, pick up your cross daily, and follow me" mean?
	What does it mean to "Be transformed by the renewal of your mind"
	What does it mean for "Jesus to form in me"?
	What does it mean for "Jesus to live through me"?
	What does it mean to "take all thoughts captive"?

Your Identify	
	What does it mean to be made in God's image?
	How do we know God loves us?
	What does it mean to be born again?
	What does it mean to become a "Child Of God"?
	What does it mean to be "the Body of Christ"?
	What does it mean to be "In Christ"?
	How can God see me as innocent and holy after all I have done?
	Guilt, shame, and condemnation is normal isn't it?
	Am I really forgiven?
	What does it mean to "focus forward"?
Your Purpose	
	Why are we here? What is our purpose?
	How can I find my specific purpose?
	We are called to become love. What does that look like?
	What stops the flow of God's love?
	How do we "perfect" God's love?
	We are called to be ambassadors for Christ? How do we do that?
	Do you walk in the light as HE is in the light?
	Are you a bright light in this dark world?
	Are you a bright beacon on a hill?

Potential Topics

Developing a personal relationship with God

How do you have a personal relationship with God?
What is the difference between knowing about God and Knowing God?
How can you get to know God?
How can we know God's will? Isn't he mysterious and unknowable
How can I hear God's voice?
What does it mean to have communion with God?
What the difference between belief and faith?
How does prayer work? What are some best practices?
What is fervent prayer?
How can I be lead by the spirit?
What does it mean to put your trust in Him?
How do I avoid a spirit of fear?

Spiritual Warfare

Is Satan / The devil real? Is there an active evil force at work?
What are his tactics?
How to i resiet the devil?
What is the armour of God? How do i put it on?
What authority do I have? How do I use it?
What is the sword of the spirit? and how do i use it?
How do Jesus stripes heal us?
What does it mean to be "clothed in righteousness"?
What does it mean to "do the works that Jesus did"?
What does it mean to "Speak to your mountain"?
WHy do we "ask in Jeuss name"?
What does it mean to "Believe when you pray"?
What signs will follow "those who believe"?

Be led By the Spirit

What does the holy spirit do in me
How can I be led by the spirit
How can I hear its' voice
What is Faith? Where does it come from?
What is Grace? How do I receive it?
How does flesh war with the spirit?
What power doe the holy spirit have?

Home Group

Closing Prayer:

- Gratitude
- Fellowship
- Gift of Your Word – See, Hear, Embrace in Heart, Assimilate into flesh
- Help us see things from your perspective
- Help us recognize the opportunities within us
- Help us transform into your image – and perfect the flow of your love
- Inspire us into good works that you have prepared
- Become bright beacons for Your kingdom
- We do all in your name to bring glory to the Father who sent you

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