

MY GOD IN MOTION...

God's Love Can Only Flow When You Get Your
"Self" Out Of The Way!

*"...If anyone desires to come after Me, let him deny himself,
and take up his cross, and follow Me." Matthew 16:24*

Virtual Home Group Bible Study

08-14-2025

Agenda

- Purpose & Opening
- Topic: What, Why, How,
- Resources
- Discussion
- Group Prayers: Updates / New Requests
- Feedback / Next Session / Future Topics
- Call To Action & Closing

Purpose & Opening

- 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:
Lord, Thank you for this opportunity.
Give me Words to deliver Your message.
Give each of us Eyes to See all things from Your perspective
and Give us Ears to Hear and understand Your Word
Help us get to know You through Your Word
and Help us be transformed into the people You intended us to be
Help us turn Your Words into loving action through our flesh
and bring You glory in all we do.
In Jesus’ Name, Amen

Topic

What:

God's Love Can Only Flow When You Get Your "Self" Out Of The Way!

Why:

- My children are lost, They are focused on themselves and their earthly lives.
- They can only receive My love when they see me and recognize what I have done for them.
- My love can only flow through them when they get their self-centered agendas and emotions out of the way.
- Deny yourself, pick up your cross and follow me so my love can be perfected into you and through you to others.

(From Journaling with Jesus 8/9)

Approach: What, Why, How

What: Self, Deny

Matthew 16:24

Then said Jesus unto his disciples, If any will come after me, let him **deny himself**, and take up his cross, and follow me.

For whosoever will save his life shall lose it: and whosoever will lose his life for my sake shall find it. For what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?

Strong's Concordance: <https://biblehub.com/kjvs/matthew/16.htm>

Himself = Heautou (heh-ow-TOO) = Relating to himself/herself, oneself

- Own person, senses, mind, initiative, venture

Deny = Aparneomai (ap-ar-neh'-om-ahee)

- = Apo (away from) + Arneomai (deny)

- = To strongly deny, disown, reject, renounce

A call to decisively abandon self-sovereignty via personal volition;
actively reject self-rule in favor of Christ's lordship.

Aspects Of Self

- Body / Senses:
 - Outer: See, Hear, Smell, Touch, Taste
 - Inner: Pleasure, Pain, Hunger
- Mind:
 - Thoughts, Thinking
 - Knowledge, Logic, Reasoning
 - Self-Consciousness: Reflection, Perspective, View of Self, View of Others, Identity, Value
- Heart:
 - Motive: Innermost Desire, Purpose, Intention
 - Emotion: Satisfaction, Reaction To Events, Reaction to Others
 - Conscience: Belief/Truth, Justice, Right/Wrong
 - Will: Choices/Volition, Values, Conviction, Character

Your Flawed Inner-Self Works Against God

Romans 8:7

For the **mind** that is set on the flesh is **hostile to God**, for it does not submit to God's law; indeed, it cannot.

Mark 7:21-22

For **from within**, out of the heart of man, **come evil thoughts**, sexual immorality, theft, murder, adultery, coveting, wickedness, deceit, sensuality, envy, slander, **pride**, foolishness.

Psalms 10:4

In the pride of his face **the wicked does not seek Him**; all his thoughts are, “**There is no God.**”

2 Timothy 3:2-5

For people will be **lovers of self**, lovers of money, **proud, arrogant**, abusive, disobedient to their parents, ungrateful, **unholy**, heartless, unappeasable, slanderous, **without self-control**, brutal, not loving good, treacherous, reckless, swollen with conceit, **lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God, having the appearance of godliness, but denying its power.** Avoid such people.

Colossians 1:21

And you, who once were **alienated and enemies in your mind** by wicked works, yet now He has reconciled.

Love of “Self”

Love Of Self Opposes the Love Of God

Romans 12:3

“For I say, through the grace given to me, to everyone who is among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think, but to think soberly, as God has dealt to each one a measure of faith.”

Love Of The World Opposes Love Of Neighbors

1 John 2:15

“Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him.”

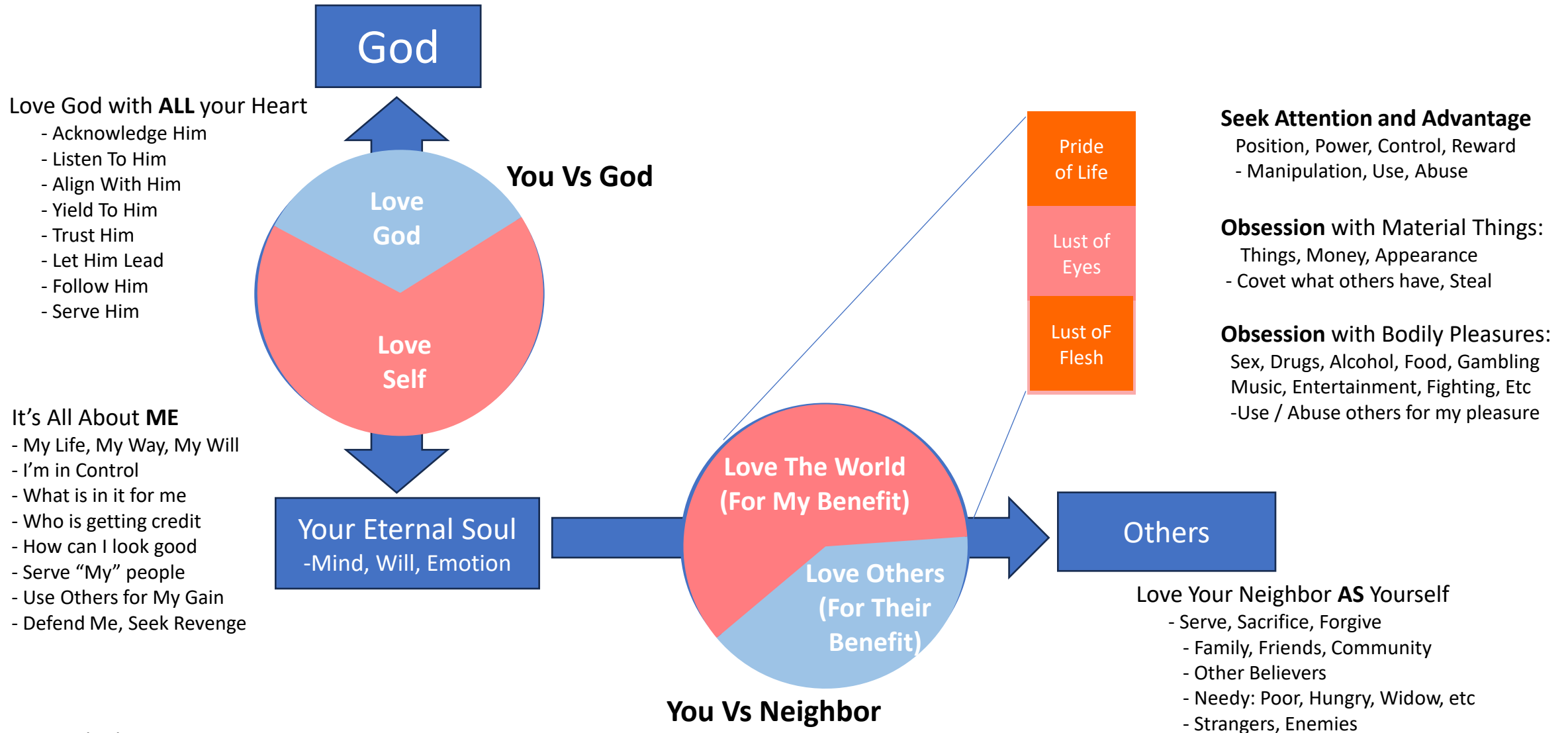
Jeremiah 17:5

“Cursed is the one who trusts in man, who draws strength from mere flesh and whose heart turns away from the Lord.”

Philippians 2:3

“Let nothing be done through selfish ambition or conceit, but in lowliness of mind let each esteem others better than himself.”

How Much Are You Blocking God's?



It Is All About The Flow Of Love

God Is Love, He Made Us In His Image

Adam/Eve Sinned (Self-Centered Actions / Ignored God's Guidance)

Sin Corrupted the Image, Became Self Conscious – Hid From God

Separated From God, Source of Love - Now Need Love, Pursue Love, Self-Centered

Consequence of Sin is Death, Fallen World

God Loves Us, Wants To Restore What Was Lost, Sent His Son

Jesus Paid The Price For Our Sin On His Body, Shed Innocent Blood To Forgive

Jesus Is The Truth: God Loves Us, We Love Because God Loved Us First

Jesus Is The Life: We Have Eternal Life Through Him

Jesus Is The Way: We are reconnected to the Father - Forgiven/Innocent Through Jesus Blood

Jesus demonstrates Love: Sacrificing His earthly life for others

We Must Repent (Change Thinking): Recognize Our Flaw, Follow Jesus as Lord

We Are Born Again, Reconnected To Father Through Jesus' Blood

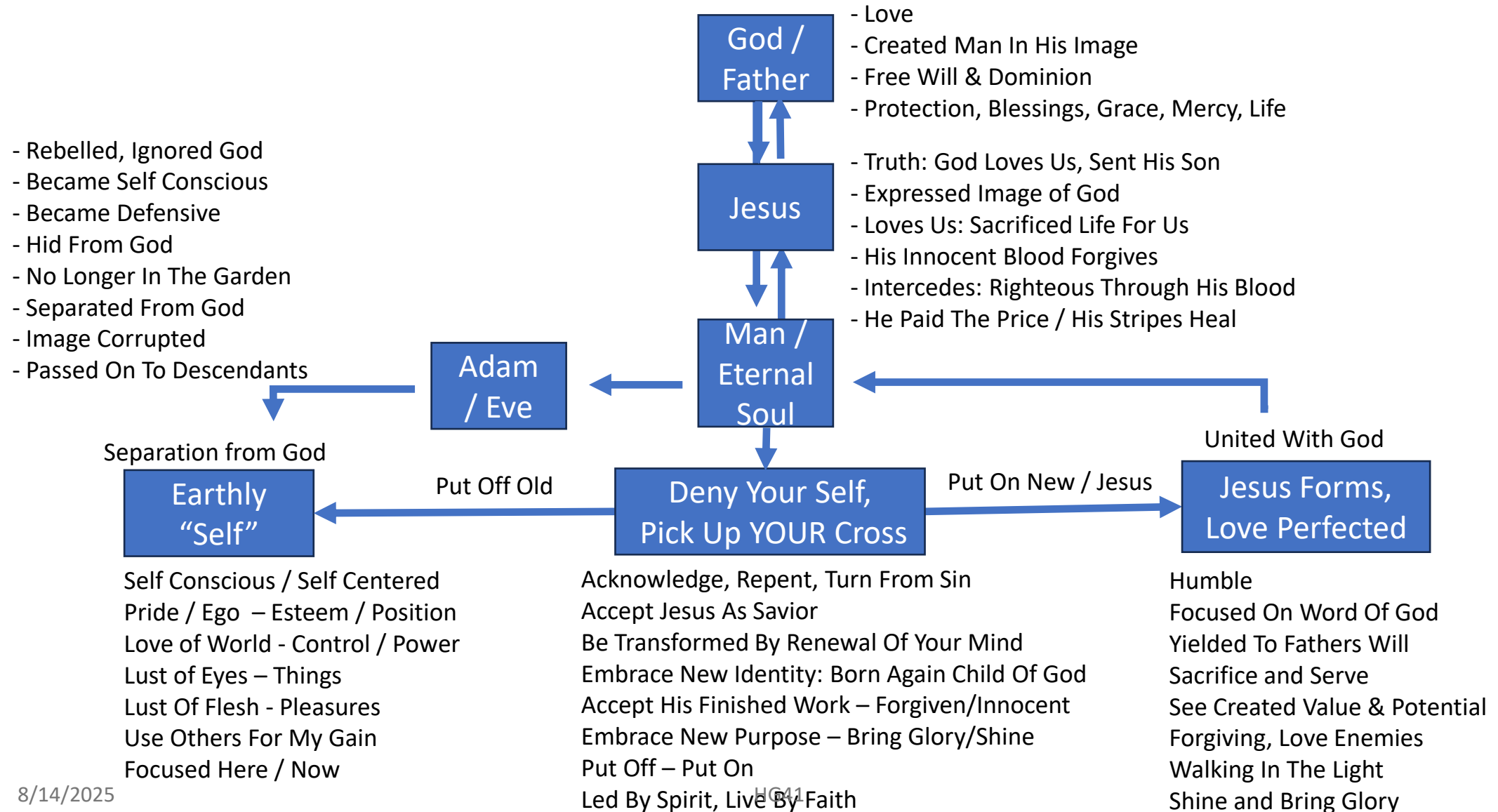
Deny Self, Pick up your cross - Sacrifice self for others

Transform: Put Off Old, Put On New

Jesus Dwells In Us, Forms In Us, And Restores The Image

It is no longer "I" that lives, but Christ through me. His Love Is Perfected Through Me

It Is All About The Flow Of Love



We Must Get Our Selves Out of The Way

Mark 12:30-31

“And you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength. The second is this: ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’ There is no other commandment greater than these.”

Luke 9:23

And he said to all, “If anyone would come after me, let him **deny himself** and take up his cross daily and follow me.

Philippians 2:3-4

“Do nothing from **selfish ambition** or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves.

2 Corinthians 5:15

And He died for all, that those who live might **no longer live for themselves** but for Him who for their sake died and was raised.

Romans 6:6

“We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin.”

Galatians 2:20

I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live **by faith** in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

Become Like Christ

- Humble: Son of Man, Wash Feet
- Tuned: Leverage Word of God, Resist Temptation, Pray Always
- Yielded: Fathers Will Not Your Own
- Focused: Higher Calling, Fathers Purpose, Bring God Glory
- Deny Self: Lose Life To Find It
- Earthly Body A Vessel, Holy Spirit Within
- Love Others More Than Self: Sacrifice Self For Others
- Take Up Cross: Don't Let Sin Against Become Sin In
- Content: Accept Suffering/Trials Without Complaint
- Forgive: Don't Count Offenses, Pray for Enemies

Christ Forms / Restore The Original Image

Galatians 4:19

My little children, for whom I am again in the anguish of childbirth until **Christ is formed in you!**

Colossians 1:27

To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is **Christ in you, the hope of glory.**

1 John 4:17

By this is love perfected with us, so that we may have confidence for the day of judgment, because **as he is so also are we in this world.**

2 Corinthians 3:18

“And we all, with unveiled face, beholding the glory of the Lord, are **being transformed into the same image** from one degree of glory to another. For this comes from the Lord who is the Spirit..”

1 John 2:6

Whoever says he abides in him ought to **walk in the same way in which he walked.**

Philippians 2:5

Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus,

Perfect The Flow Of Love

God Loves You, Sent His Son

John 3:16

“For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

Jesus Is The Truth – Evidence Of God’s Love

1 John 4:9-10

In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.

1 John 4:16

So we have come to know and to believe the love that God has for us. God is love, and whoever abides in love abides in God, and God abides in him.

Jesus Loves You - Even When Rebelling Against Him, He Gave His Life

Romans 5:8

But God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

We Should Do Same, Sacrifice Self To Love Others

1 John 4:19

We love because he first loved us.

John 15:13

Greater love has no one than this, that someone lay down his life for his friends.

1 John 3:16

By this we know love, that he laid down his life for us, and we ought to lay down our lives for the brothers.

1 John 4:7

Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God, and whoever loves has been born of God and knows God.

Declaration: Get Your Self Out Of The Way

Lord, Thank You for never giving up on me.

Jesus, Thank You for coming here, Suffering for me, Paying the price with your body, and shedding Your innocent blood to forgive me.

I was born a sinner into this fallen world and appreciate what you have done to rescue me.

I hereby receive you as my lord and Savior, As you gave your life for me, I give my life to you.

All Sin is self-centered and Love of self works against your plans for me.

I repent of sinful ways and want to achieve the full potential you had in mind when you put me here.

I hereby deny my self and all my self-centered agendas and emotions.

I crucify my earthly oriented self and yield them all to Jesus.

I welcome Jesus to take up residence, form in me, and flow through me.

I hereby put off the old me and its thoughts and emotions and I put on the new me, renewed in the image of the Father.

I believe your promise to transform me by YOUR grace into the loving person You intended when You put me here.

All old things pass away, behold, ALL things are new.

It is no longer "I" who lives this life, but Christ lives through me.

Your love will be perfected as it flows into me and through me to others without getting trapped in me.

I will walk in the light as you were in the light, and I will bring You glory in all I do.

In Jesus' name, AMEN

Resources: Put On Your New Identity

Dan Mohler

Let Your Eye Be Single

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oZe1Q8DoO1I>

Embrace Your True Identity In God without Trying

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WpdSeoBIJpY>

How do I put on the new man without getting into works?

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cHPYGeSgocl>

My Blog Post:

Be Washed In Jesus' Blood

<https://mygodinmotion.org/about-him-god-jesus/how-to/washed-in-the-blood/>

Stand In Your New Identity In Christ

<https://mygodinmotion.org/about-him-god-jesus/how-to/your-new-identity-in-christ/>

Discussion

This Topic

- Questions / Clarification
- Practical Experiences
 - Struggles / Barriers
 - Success / Lesson Learned

Other Topics

Group Activities

Calling, Vision, Dreams – Send Journaling

Group Prayers

- Updates On Prior Prayers
- New Requests

Any New Prayer Requests?

- Name
- Situation
- Desired Outcome
- Prayer considerations
 - God's Will Be Done:
 - Repentance, Heaven and Earth All Following Jesus, Creation Restored
 - God has wonderful plans for everyone – fulfil created value - they may be blind to it
 - God's will is always healing, but it is path specific – ASK!
 - Devil lies, steals, and destroys, Jesus brings Life in Abundance
 - When we believe in Jesus we are saved / Sozo / made whole.
 - Jesus already did the work – By His Stripes We WERE healed
 - Speak To The Mountain
 - Don't tell God about our mountain, Tell the mountain about our God

Call to Action:

- Reflect and Identify Self Centered Agendas and Emotions
- Repent and decide enough is enough, I want a change.
- Embrace Jesus finished work on the cross, He paid the price for sin.
- Imagine yourself in heavenly places, cleansed by his blood.
- Deny your earthly self/Crucify your fleshly desires
- Put off the old man, and put on the new man, put on Jesus
- Thank Jesus for forming in you and restoring the original image.
- Pursue your new purpose and bringing God glory in all you do.

Feedback

- What is working: Keep doing
 - ✓ Good Content - Food for thought
 - ✓ Good Mix - Content & Discussion
 - ✓ Good Format - Casual / Informal – Easy to engage
 - ✓ Graphics are good/helpful - Draw the story together
 - ✓ Do quick intro if new folks, so they get familiar
 - ✓ Host log in at 6:45 so others can get settled online and start on time
 - ✓ Send Reminder Text Early, and then 30 min before
 - ✓ Me: Set dog up for success to avoid distraction
 - ✓ Mute participants during presentation to improve sound quality
 - ✓ Add Page Num, Session Num, Date to slides for easier ref
- What could be better: Suggestions to consider
 - ✓ Make chunks of content, easier to process/discuss

Next Session & Future Topics

Candidate topic for next week:

Recent Activity / Potential Topics:

- Gratitude Defeats Anxiety
- Deny Your Life To The Point Of Death!
- How do you Restore the Image of God?
- What does it mean to be a Branch of Jesus' Vine?
- Yield Your Life To Find It – His Will, Not Yours
- What does it look like to Love God with all your heart

**Next Session:
Tues 08/19/25**

Any hot topics on your mind?

- How to stand in Faith in end times
- What does the new heaven/new earth mean?
- What are the steps to discernment

Closing

- Thank You for this opportunity, fellowship, sharing
- Thank you for the gift of Your Word, and Your Son who made it flesh
- May we See, Hear, and Embrace your Word in our Heart, and assimilate it into our flesh
- May we recognize the opportunities within us and around us
- May we seek Your face and embrace Your help to root out our selfish agendas
- May we transform into Your image and perfect the flow of Your love to others
- May we be inspired into the good works that You have prepared
- May we walk in the light as Jesus was in the light,
shine as a bright beacon in this dark world, and
do all things in Your name to bring glory to the Father who sent You

“...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

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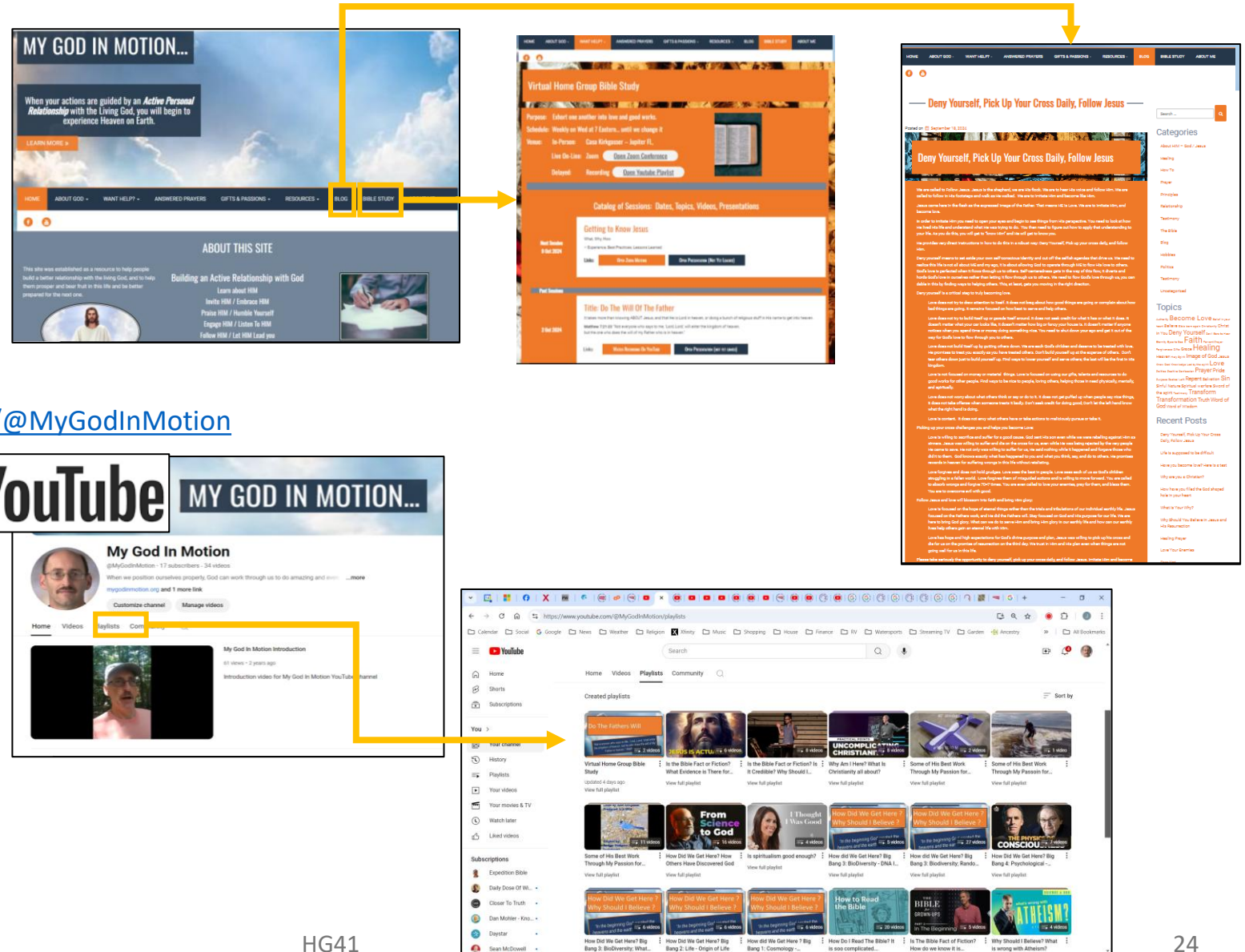
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Group Prayer Activity

Date	Person	Situation	"Word" Received	Prayer	Date	Answer
	Jay	Phantom limb pain	Go Around	Lord, Your will is always healing, by your stripes we are already healed. You told us to go around the pain. Help us see the path you have set before us to go around this pain.	1 week	Dr offered new pain med, significant improvement.
	Tammy Neighbor	Fall from unprotected balcony		Lord, we speak healing in Jesus' name.		Upbeat, minor surgery, expecting full recovery.
	World	Geopolitical Upheaval		Lord, help the world repent and find you. Help the US find its path back to leading the world in goodness.		
	Ashley	Vascular calcium		Lord, Help us find your path forward for Ashley.		Cardiac Dr Not Excited, Ordered Echo cardiogram tests to eval.
6/20	Lana	UTI	Aster testimony	Lord, help Lana find you and your path to healing. If Aster's supplement is the answer help her embrace it. We speak healing in Jesus' name.	1 Day	Felt significantly better
	Guy	Back	Pray and be patient	Back be healed	1 Wk	Back pain free after church service
	Bergie	Heart		Help her get proper treatment, heal her heart		
7/23	Tamra	Elbow Injury		Elbow be healed		
7/23	Ashley	Broken Ankle		Path through surgery and recovery		