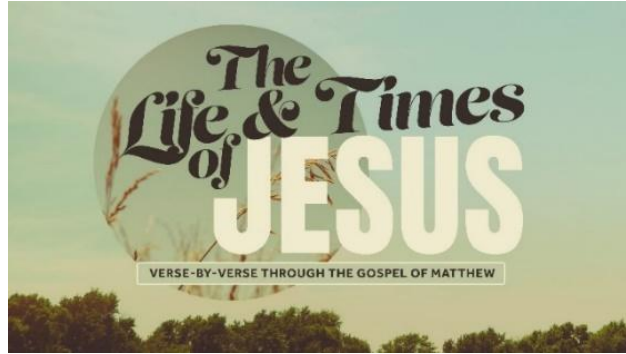


FELLOWSHIP NOTES ~ SUNDAY, October 26th, 2025



The World's Greatest Sermon - Part 10: "Kingdom Citizens Don't Worry" Matthew 6:25-34

Theme of Jesus' Sermon on the Mount: Kingdom Citizenship

Kingdom Citizens Don't Worry Because...

1. We have a faithful heavenly Father – Matt. 6:25-30; Ps. 145:15-16; 147:9; 1 Peter 5:7
2. We have a fervent faith – Matt. 6:31-32

Kingdom Citizens Win Against Worry By...

1. Prioritizing the Kingdom of Christ and His Righteousness – Matt. 6:33
2. Keeping our Focus on Jesus Today – Matt. 6:34
3. Praying constantly – 1 Thess. 5:17; Philippians 4:6-7

Don't worry about anything, pray about everything!



Growth Groups and Personal Study Guide for October 27th - November 2nd

40 Days of Unceasing Prayer: “The Reward of Prayer”

Reminders:

1. Missions Month starts next Sunday as we observe The International Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church and kick-off our new missions growth group study. Pick up your study guide at the Welcome Center. Our November Thanksgiving Offering is open also next Sunday with our goal of \$14,000. Watch for the letter with all the details in your mail box.
2. Our Operation Christmas Child Crockpot Feed, Desert Auction and Packing Party is Sunday, November 9th at 4:00 p.m. Sign up to bring a desert to be auctioned off and/or a crockpot to contribute. This exciting and fun evening is for everyone so bring the whole family!

Opening Discussion:

- Over the last six weeks, what has changed most about your prayer life? What are you doing differently?
- What are some of your main motivations to pray? Why do you think that is?
- What is one takeaway from the devotionals this week you’d like to share?

Today, we’re going to learn about the great works and rewards of prayer.

Play Week 6 Video

1. The Reward of _____. (John 14:11-12)
2. The Reward of _____. (John 15:5-8,16)
3. The Reward of _____. (John 14:14)
4. The Reward of _____. (John 16:23)

READ JOHN 15:1-5,11 TOGETHER.

Bearing fruit requires us to abide in Christ at all times. As we learned in Bill’s message, prayer is one of the best ways to learn how to abide. You don’t bear some fruit, but much fruit and fruit that remains. Jesus said these things will bring us great, full joy.

Bill said, “The reason that there are many joyless Christians is because there are many prayerless Christians.”

- How do you think abiding in Christ through prayer produces joy in our lives?

- Since God rewards prayer, how does that change the way you approach Him?

- When you pray, how do you think God sees you?

- Share an answer to prayer in your life with your group

Worship-Based Prayer Time:

Read & Pray – John 15:1-11

Reverence:

- Lord, I glorify you because you are... (attributes of who God is)

“He prunes” - God removes all things in the believer’s life that would hinder fruit-bearing, i.e., He chastises to cut away sin and hindrances that would drain spiritual life just as the farmer removes anything on the branches that keep them from bearing maximum fruit (Heb. 12:3–11). – John MacArthur

- Lord, I praise you for your loving discipline when... (what are some difficult times that God has used in your life to make you more like Jesus?)

Response: (The word *abide* means to remain or stay around.)

- Lord, help me to abide in you when I’m tempted to... (what are the things that have been used by the enemy to sap your spiritual energy and hinder you from bearing fruit?)

Requests: (Read v.7) (If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask whatever you want, and it will be done for you.¹)

1. First, the prayer that Jesus promises to answer must be offered in His name; that is, consistent with His person and will, and so that He might display His glory in answering it.
2. Second, the prayer that God promises to answer is to those who abide in Jesus Christ.
3. Third, the prayer that God promises to answer is for those whose lives are controlled by the specific commands of God’s Word. – John MacArthur

- Lord, I pray that you would be glorified as I bring to you the need of... (what needs to you want to bring to the Lord?)

Readiness: (v.9-11)

- Lord, I know that with your help, I can be a joy-filled person even when... (What battles or situations are you going into that you are needing the reminder to remain in Christ’s love?)

¹ [Christian Standard Bible](#) (Nashville, TN: Holman Bible Publishers, 2020), Jn 15:7.

