

Life Group Discussion Questions

Luke 5:16; John 7:6; Psalm 46:10

OPENING DISCUSSION

Pastor Daniel said the following on Sunday: "When purchasing new technology, it is not uncommon to do research before spending so much money. After comparing the costs and evaluating the features each option has to offer, we aim to make an informed, wise decision when selecting which product to buy. But this is typically as far as it goes. Rarely do we critically think and theologically consider how the technology will impact our relationship with God and other people." What are your thoughts and experience regarding this?

SERMON

Have there been times in your life when you have gotten away from it all to spend time with God? If so, how did it impact your relationship with God? Looking ahead, what would it look like for you to withdraw from the demands of everyday life and unplug from technology in order to spend time with God (whether it is for an hour, a day, or a week)?

To what extent has technology influenced the way we think and live in modern-day society? Is something that is newer and faster always better? How has this type of mentality and outlook on life affected our lives spiritually?

Read 2 Peter 2:19 and 1 Corinthians 6:12. What does it mean to be mastered by something? Is God able to help us overcome anything that has gained mastery over us? If so, is there anything that is keeping you from turning to God right now?

APPLICATION

Is the use of technology hindering your relationship with God and other people in any way? Pastor Daniel spoke about the practice of being still before God and paying attention to all the thoughts that rise to the surface of your mind. Take some time to do this. Whether it is for 20 minutes or 2 hours, what attachments and allegiances contend for God's attention and affection?

Review the values of North Hills on the front cover. How is God at work in your life in the area of Experiencing the Presence of God?

Not a part of a Life Group at North Hills? Visit the church website and check out the different groups currently meeting on Zoom. When you see one that interests you, click on the link provided and know that everyone will be glad you came!
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Mandate – Our Mission

Love God. Serve Others. Change the World!

(Mark 12:28-34; Mark 8:34; Matt. 28:18-20)

Motives – Our Values

Authentic Relationships

Demonstrate God's love in our relationships through vulnerability, transparency, and accountability to experience a healthy, life-changing community.

(Acts 2:42, 44-46; Prov. 17:17; John 15:13; John 15:15; Rev. 3:20)

Experiencing the Presence of God

Exalting the moment by moment devotion to God's majesty, glory, and power.

(Acts 2:42-43, 46-47; Rev. 21:1-4)

Transformational Living

Teaching and discipling all generations to faithfully obey by engaging the world in sharing the good news of salvation.

(Acts 2:41-42, 47; Matt. 28:18-20; Rom. 12:1-2)

Intimate Conversations with God

Consistently communicating with God through adoration, confession, thanksgiving, and supplication.

(Acts 2:42; Matt. 6:9-13; Matt. 26:39; Mark 1:35; Phil. 4:6-8)

Humble Heart to Serve

Selflessly serving together to build God's kingdom.

(Acts 2:44-45; Phil. 2:2-15; Mark 8:34)

Marks – How we define success (Our Targets)

A Mind for Truth | A Heart for God | A Mouth for Encouraging
A Spirit of Unity | Hands for Serving | Feet for Going | Knees for Praying

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Week 24 of 2020-2021 Sermon Series: Transformed

- *Transformed Values* -

Experiencing the Presence of God in a Digital Age (Luke 5:16; John 7:6; Psalm 46:10)

TRANSFORMATIONAL PRINCIPLE:

The practice of withdrawing, waiting on God, and being still helps us to better recognize and cherish God's _____ in everyday life.

1. How often do we critically and theologically _____ upon the use of technology and the proper place it should have in our lives?

2. God's _____ for doing things is not the same as ours.

3. Technology should function as a servant; not a _____.

RESPONSE:

Are there any specific changes God is directing you to make in your life?

READ THE ENTIRE BIBLE CHRONOLOGICALLY IN A YEAR

Going into the new year, everyone was invited to make reading the Bible a daily priority. We started by reading Genesis 1-29 and Job 1-42. The reading for the next 7 days is below. It is not too late to catch up. As we read the Bible together, may God draw us closer to Himself and each other through His Word!

Jan. 22: Genesis 30-31
Jan. 23: Genesis 32-34
Jan. 24: Genesis 35-37
Jan. 25: Genesis 38-40

Jan. 26: Genesis 41-42
Jan. 27: Genesis 43-45
Jan. 28: Genesis 46-47



- Week 1:** Because we are prone to conform, we must let God transform. (Romans 12:1-2)
- Week 2:** Because of all Jesus has done, surrender what you think you know. (Mark 8:34-37)
- Week 3:** If we really want to know what to do, abandon the world's ways for God's ways. (Isaiah 55:6-11)
- Week 4:** Accept that the world's ways are at odds with the ways of God. (1 Corinthians 1:18-30)
- Week 5:** If you want to be transformed, you must learn to deal with your sinful nature. (Romans 8:1-11)
- Week 6:** Look past what is seen and believe what is unseen. (Hebrews 11:1-6)
- Week 7:** Overcome the world with love and humility. (Romans 12:9-21)
- Week 8:** Recognize that the purpose of our transformation is not personal or private. (Mark 10:42-45)
- Week 9:** Individual transformation happens best in the midst of united community. (Hebrews 10:19-25)
- Week 10:** Some may go and some may stay: but working together, God is transforming the world through the power of the gospel. (Philippians 4:10-20)
- Week 11:** Transformed people do the work of God like it's second nature. (Matthew 25:31-46)
- Week 12:** Transformed prayer leads to a transformed mind. (Philippians 4:4-9)
- Week 13:** A transformed heart will change the way you talk to others. (Ephesians 4:29)
- Week 14:** Transformed people unite in transformed community. (Ephesians 4:1-6)
- Week 15:** Right attitude speaks louder than right action alone. (Philippians 2:14-18)
- Week 16:** Transformed people are on the go. (Romans 10:8-17)
- Week 17:** Recognize your need for a Savior. (Matthew 1:18-23)
- Week 18:** Learn to see the spiritual battle for your soul that is going on in and around you. (1 John 3:1-10)
- Week 19:** Don't miss the truth when it's right in front of you. (John 18:33-38)
- Week 20:** Abundant life must have boundaries. (John 10:1-10)
- Week 21:** The promise of everlasting life changes what we value in this present life. (Matthew 6:19-24)
- Week 22:** Demonstrate God's love in our relationships to experience a healthy, life-changing community. (John 15:12-17)
- Week 23:** Prayer intimately connects us to the one who has invited us to call Him Father. (Luke 11:1-13)