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What Does God Want From Us As Believers?

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Luke 9:23, Matt. 6:33, Matt. 10:38, Jn. 14:15, Eph. 5:1-2, 1 Jn. 2:3-6, Matt. 7:24-27

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3. God Wants Us To Cooperate With The Holy Spirit's

And _____

John 14:16-17, John 14:26, John 15:26, John 16:12-14, Rom. 8:16, Gal. 5:22-23

Memory Verse

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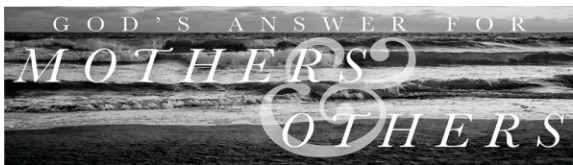
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Discussion Questions - Week #4

QUICK REVIEW

Thinking back to the weekend sermon, "God's Answers For Mothers And Others," summarize the main point in a sentence or two.

Was there anything you heard for the first time or that caught your attention, challenged, or confused you?

Do you plan on taking any practical steps this week in response to the message?

GETTING STARTED

In the message this weekend, Pastor Rick and Judy shared that "God wants us to know Him and love Him." What would you say if someone asked you to tell them about God?

When you think of obedience, what comes to mind?

How have you experienced the Holy Spirit's guidance in your life?

DIGGING DEEPER

1. Read Romans 8:1-17. What stands out to you in this passage?

According to this passage, what does the Spirit do?

What does it look like for you to live according to the Spirit?

How does it differ from living according to the flesh?

What do you think it means to set our minds on the things the Spirit desires, and more importantly, how do we do it?

2. Read 1 John 2:1-11. What would you say is the main idea of this passage?

Often, in the New Testament, the Holy Spirit is described as our advocate. What does Jesus do as our advocate?

How would you express to friends or family that obedience, as the Bible describes, isn't oppressive?

How is obedience an accurate test for knowing Jesus?

How can you live out love for others in such a way that reveals your knowledge of and love for God?

FOR PRACTICE

☞ One of our day's least popular spiritual disciplines is the discipline of submission. Submission is core to obedience and is defined as not asserting ourselves in order to come under the authority, wisdom, and power of Jesus Christ as our Lord, King, and Master. In addition, we actively submit to scripture, hearing, receiving, and obeying the Word of God. By submitting to the Incarnate and written Word, we surrender our perceived right to hold onto a grudge or bitterness and forgive following His model and command. Richard Foster suggests, "The first words of our day form the prayer of Thomas à Kempis, "As thou wilt; what thou wilt; when thou wilt."

SHARE IT

☞ Is there anything you heard or learned in the weekend message or Life Group this week that you want to share with someone you know?

PRAYER REQUESTS

☞ Continue to pray for peace in the ongoing conflict in Gaza. Pray for a lasting ceasefire, the release of Israeli hostages, and that humanitarian aid would be made through the lines and provided to those who need it most.