

1. Get Acquainted: Icebreaker

Discovering hypocrisy in us.

- Where do you most often catch yourself “speaking passed” your doings?

2. Worship: Worship as Confession – Saying Same

I am crying out this afternoon for God to work in my heart giving me what I lack in habits, practices and passions. This passage is such a gift to me today.

Psalm 119:169-172-

- ¹⁶⁹ Let my cry come before you, O Lord;
 give me understanding according to your word!
- ¹⁷⁰ Let my plea come before you;
 deliver me according to your word.
- ¹⁷¹ My lips will pour forth praise,
 for you teach me your statutes.
- ¹⁷² My tongue will sing of your word,
 for all your commandments are right.

3. Kingdom Centered Prayer:

Praying with Brown

1. Read 1 John 2:1-2 again. How does having an advocate lead you to worship and enjoy the Lord more?
2. Pray and confess the areas of your life that do not match up. Where are the gaps between what you say and how you live? Confess areas of sin you love and areas of obedience you do not want to follow.
3. Give thanks to Jesus, your advocate, who is your sacrifice. Praise him for his personal love for you in cleansing you from all sin due to his finished work on the Cross.
4. Ask the Holy Spirit to bring you to the light. Ask him to help you confess sin boldly, reveal blind spots, and living a life joyfully being obedient to the LORD.

4. Sermon Reflection:

Introduction: Hypocrisy as Gaps. We all have gaps between what we know and how we live.

Walking in the Light

Gift of the Light of God that shines on our past, present and future

- How has God blessed you in revealing your past, present and future?
- Fellowship completes or fills up our joy
- What was the last happening in your life that you could not wait to tell a friend just to complete the joy of the experience?

Missing the Mark

- What is the light revealing where you are missing the mark?
- You can stop right now and ask him to give you what you lack. Now would be a grand time.

Characteristics of Walking in the Light:

- Calling – New heart, New passions, New responsibilities
 - What is your Calling?
- Continual Cleansing – Present Personal Active
 - Constant sinning – Constant cleansing
 - What sins, little sins, have you quit confessing and have resigned yourself to them? Confess them now.

Speaking in Light

Confessing our sins – Words, God will give us words to declare our failure and need.

Qualifications – Sinning qualifies you to cry to Jesus

- Crying out to God for forgiveness qualifies you to speak the truth in love to your neighbor.
- What is a sin you condemn in others that make them not want to be around you?
- What habit makes you seem like you don't sin so others won't share with you their sins and failures?
- Give Praise and Honor to God
 - Praise Him for your good Godly desires and habits
 - Pray God would work them into the lives of your friends
 - Give Glory to God by Confessing your Struggles and Needs

Abiding in the Light – Light Living

Happying your heart is God.

- The measure of your living in the light is how “light”, both brightness and weight, your life feels to you.
- God has given us His Creation, His Word, Prayer and Fellowship for us “lighten up” and live in His Light.
- Where are you sinning by taking on the weight and work of God?
- How does God lighten your load and ease your burden?

5. Mission: Light Living vs Heavy Hauling

I have wasted most of my life thinking someone was supposed to disciple me and making excuses. It has been a wonderful revelation that God has always been discipling me to follow and love Jesus by Holy Spirit.

- You are on mission to first – DY - Disciple YOURSELF
- Next on mission to help others – DT – Disciple Themselves
- 3rd Disciple Your Family – DYF – Creating a culture of Discipling in your home

1. DY – Disciple Yourself
 - By crying out to Father, Holy Spirit and Jesus desperate for them
 - See, hear and proclaim Jesus to your heart
 - To Follow Holy Spirit's Lead
 - Happy your heart in God through his word and prayer
 - Teach yourself to love God and the sound of His voice and hate sin and the work of our flesh
2. DO – Disciple Others
 - Help others
 - cry out Father, Holy Spirit and Jesus
 - to see, hear and proclaim Jesus to their hearts
 - to follow Holy Spirit
 - Happy their hearts in God through his word and prayer
 - Teach themselves to love God and the sound of His voice and hate sin and the work of our flesh
3. DYF – Disciple Your Family
 - Help them fall in love with God
 - Read the Bible with them
 - Pray with them
 - Worship with Them
 - Let them lead
 - Listen to them
 - Share your struggles and needs with them
 - Ask them to pray for you