

Welcome to



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Things You Should Know!

Prayer Requests can be submitted via the website under the Ministries tab. These prayer requests go directly to Pastor Aaron and are confidential.

Text to Give is available. Please text GIVE to 231-386-0644 and then follow the instructions given! Thanks for supporting our ministries here at Connection Point.

The Bridge the Gap Fund sign is across from the Café. If you are interested in giving above your tithes/offerings there is a giving kiosk at the FOR store. Please email the church office for more information.

What the World needs Now!!

Prayer! *And Lots of it!! Call Someone! Video chat with someone!! We all need personal connections right now. Reach out to people you think would like to talk, even if it is just to check in and say HI! Let them know you're thinking of them! Connect with one another!!*

If you are in need of groceries, would be willing to purchase or donate for someone's grocery needs, please contact the office at 231-769-2424.

Upcoming Events!

Marvelous Mondays is POSTPONED until further notice!

Next Steps Class is POSTPONED until further notice.

The Church building is currently closed until further notice. Please contact the office if you have any questions.



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Further Study - March 29, 2020

Personal Reflection:

1. What is a funny thing that you have fixated on in the past? Or wanted to just know a ton about?
2. Have you ever caught yourself fixating on something only to later think, that was a waste of my time?

Personal Study:

1. Read Romans 8:6-11
 - a. Paul says that our minds are governed by the flesh or the Spirit. Based on the context of the verses before and after this section, what is he trying to say?
 - b. What does Paul say the mind that is governed by the Spirit receives? What does the mind governed by the flesh receive?
 - c. Why do you think Paul says those that are governed by the flesh cannot please God?
 - d. Paul says to the readers of this passage that the Spirit of God is what lives in a person (actually there are dozens of other passages in which Paul writes, those that are followers of Jesus are "in Christ"), what allows for us to be a person in whom the Spirit dwells?
 - e. Reread verse 11 and write down what makes that so powerful.

Personal Application:

1. What would it look like if you were able to fixate on the mind of Christ? How might you do that?
2. What is an area that you have a tendency to fixate on things that lead you away from the life that Paul writes of?

Personal Prayer:

- Father, thank you for the gift of your Spirit's presence. Help me to focus my mind of the things that bring life and not on the things that bring death. Help me to invite your Spirit into every area of my life and for my mind to be renewed by your love. I pray all of this in your son, Jesus' name. Amen.

Group Conversation

Group Reflection:

1. What has been the toughest time in all of this "stay-at-home" world in which we are living? Why has that been the toughest thing?
2. What is something that you kind of "obsess" over that might be a guilty pleasure or at least a little funny?
3. Have you given much thought to the power of your mind?

Group Study:

1. Read Romans 8:6-11
 - a. What is the difference from flesh to Spirit for Paul? How does that differ from what we often think of when we think of Spirit or flesh?
 - b. Paul is writing to followers of Jesus and he reminds them they are to live in the Spirit, or in fact for the Spirit to live in them. This would imply that what we do in life we cause the Spirit to do in us (if we call ourselves followers of Jesus), how might that impact what we do?
 - c. Paul says the mind that is governed by the Spirit receives life and peace. How has that been difficult to allow your mind to be governed by the Spirit in these days?
 - d. How might Paul's words which remind us that the same Spirit who raised Christ from the dead is the same Spirit dwelling in us, help us in our times of struggle?
 - e. What might happen if we lived with the hope that Jesus gives us life now and in a life to come? How might that change our minds in the here and now?

Group Application:

1. How do we help one another fixate on things that help us have the mind of Christ?
2. How can we help others to live in the Spirit over living in the flesh?

Further Learning Opportunity:

- "The Spirit of the Disciplines" and "The Allure of Gentleness" by Dallas Willard

Serving Opportunity:

- What are some ways we can model a mind set on the Spirit in our interactions these days?

Personal Spiritual Practice:

- Study is a spiritual practice that helps us as we read Scripture and also read formative works by scholars to understand the life Jesus calls us to. Spend time daily asking God to show you where your mind needs renewed and to help you understand the context of the Scripture you are reading. Spend time this week reading deeper sources than you have in the past (crivoice.org is a good website for some deeper level theological thinking)