THE POWER CORDS OF GRACE

NOTES:

2 Peter 1.3-15 // March 1, 2020

ALL THINGS AVAILABLE

Ephesians 1.3-6 // John 15.4, 5

God's Word tells us that we have been given "all things" for life and godliness, as well as "every spiritual blessing in the heavenly realm." In other words, we have everything available to us in order to live a life that reflects Jesus and His godliness.

To "take hold" of all these things, we need to learn to abide in the power of God. We need the "power cords," so to speak, that connect us to the source of power. By connecting with that power, these "cords" provide us with:

- Blind spots being revealed
 - See our habits for what they are and the "water" we swim in
 - See idols in our hearts
- Beauty of God being revealed
 - Help us to see what He has done for us
 - Help us to know who He is

WORD OF GOD, PRAYER, AND COMMUNITY

John 8.31, 32, 17.17

WORD: God gives us this power "through the knowledge of Him." We must know Him, and we do this by knowing His Word.

Ignorance of Scripture is ignorance of Christ.

St. Jerome

PRAYER: Prayer is like the "hand of faith" that reaches out and takes hold of the promises contained in the Word. It is our way of responding to God and interacting with Him and His promises.

COMMUNITY: God also puts others in our lives to be a part of our sanctifying process. We were not designed to be alone or grow alone.

DISCIPLINE

2 Timothy 3.16, 17 // 2 Timothy 2.22

Though there is no "one size fits all" solution to forming disciplines and a liturgy of worship for your daily life, each of us do need to "discipline ourselves for the purpose of godliness." Like an athlete who chooses to work, we need to create habits, routines, and other rhythms of "purposeful negligence" where we "fast" from, curb, or restructure current patterns or activity (social media, TV, etc.).

Plan your work, and then work your plan.

This Week's Scripture to Memorize:

1 Peter 2:9

But you are ^za chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.

Elder Candidates

Tyler Willis and Casey Barnes

ARE YOU NEW HERE?

WELCOME TO LIFE MISSION!

We'd love for you to fill out a Connection Card so we can welcome you and answer any questions you may have. You can drop it in the offering basket during the service or take it to one of our teammates at the Connection Booth outside. Feel free to grab some coffee and snacks in the courtyard and hang out. We hope you'll join us next Sunday and consider making us your church family.

WHAT ABOUT THE KIDS?

Our childrens' ministry, which we call **Kids on Mission**, has classes for **newborns - 5th grade**. We have a great team of volunteers who have all been screened with background checks for extra security. Each week your child will get to **worship** with their class, followed by an **age-appropriate lesson** that points them towards Jesus and helps root them in the Word of God.

Visit our website to read more about the vision of Kids on Mission and a walkthrough of our curriculum. If you have any questions, email Amber Willis at amber@lifemission.tv

JUNIOR HIGH & HIGH SCHOOL

Our 6th - 8th graders begin each Sunday by worshiping with the adults and then head to their classroom with their teacher and classmates for the rest of service. Visit our website to read more about our junior high ministry and a walkthrough of our curriculum.

Our **9th-12th** graders stay in the service with the adults because we believe that it is crucial for them to not "graduate the faith" when they graduate high school.

For more information about our Junior High & High School ministries, email Tyler Willis at tyler@lifemission.tv.

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COMMUNITY GROUP HOMEWORK

Before group starts, who can share the **Memory Verse**?

Read 2 Peter 1.3-15. What stands out in this passage, and what stuck out to you most from the sermon on Sunday?

Preaching the Gospel to Yourself

This text is filled with amazing Gospel truth. Along with Ephesians 1.3-6, what truths and promises give you encouragement as you aim to create or change habits and rhythms of life into a thriving lituray?

Repent and Ask for Provision

What habits or patterns of life do you feel you need to put off, change, or restructure? And what new patterns or habits would you like to add or improve? Who will you ask to help you pursue this and discipline yourself to not just plan your work but work your plan?

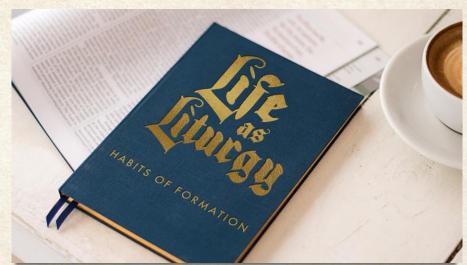
Your Life Mission

It is easy for us to think that making a plan or habit is "legalistic" or "works-based," but this is exactly what the enemy would love for us to think. Anything that can create excuses or convenient reasons to not engage in the things we ought to engage in are welcomed ploys of the enemy. But as Peter said, if we practice these things, we will be effective in ministry.

What conversations or interactions are coming up in your life that you need prayer for? Who are you praying for opportunities that you could have love, compassion, and boldness to share the Gospel with?

End the evening in a time of prayer, praying through the theme of the night using the P.R.A.Y. model with your group. Pray for those in your life that God has brought for you to be an ambassador of His Kingdom. Make sure to end your time of prayer Yielding with Thanksaiving for God's sovereignty and plan for your life.





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