



WHAT'S UP AT THE CREEK?

Midweek at The Creek (Holy Habits)

- Every Wednesday Night
- Doors Open at 6:30, Service at 7
- Great Worship and Message!

Quiet Time (One on One)

- Every Sunday Morning in January at 10
- Breakfast is Always Provided!

Gospel of John/Simple Truth Bible Study

- Every Sunday Evening at 6
 - Small Group
- Read John 17 and Complete pg. 14-28 (Verses 12-18) in Simple Truth Bible

Scaley Mountain Snow Tubing Trip

- One Saturday in February
- Which Saturday and Who Would Go?
 - Sign Up Tonight!

Impact (\$50)

- June 8-12 in Toccoa, GA
- Ed Newton and Ben Robbins
- Intense Discipleship Camp
 - Sign Up Tonight!

SuperWow (\$50)

- June 29-July 3 at Jekyll Island, GA
- David Nasser, Ben Robbins, Drew Worsham
 - Evangelistic/Worship Camp
 - Sign Up Tonight!

Weekly Services at The Creek

- Wednesday Night Worship – 6:30 pm
- Sunday School – 10:00 am
- Sunday Morning Worship – 11:00 am
- Discipleship Training – 6:00 pm
- Sunday Evening Worship – 7:00 pm

The Creek Exists To Reach Non-Christian Youth, To Connect Them With Christian Youth, To Help Them All Grow In Their Faith And In God's Word, And To Encourage Them All To Honor God With Their Lives And Offer Themselves In Service To Christ And One Another.

Evangelism (Reach)
"Go and make disciples"

Fellowship (Connect)
"Baptizing them"

Discipleship (Grow)
"Teaching them to obey"

Worship (Honor)
"Love the Lord your God with all your heart"

Ministry (Service)
"Love your neighbor as yourself"

We are committed to fulfilling the Great Commission (Matthew 28:19-20) and obeying the Great Commandments (Matthew 22:37-40).

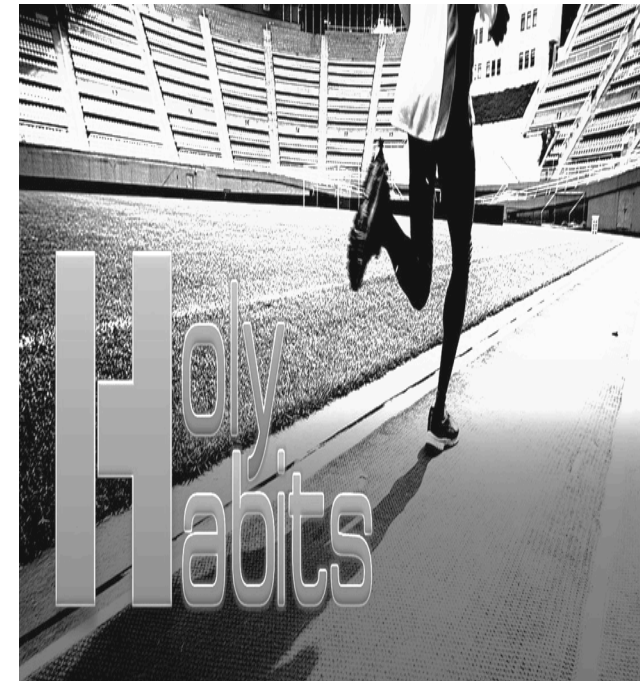
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**HOLY HABITS:
PRAYER
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HOLY HABITS

PRAYER

During the month of January, we are doing a new series called “Holy Habits.”

3 Main Purposes for This Series:

1. To make sure we are prepared, willing, and ready to pursue a life of holiness.
2. To identify, describe, discuss, and practice some Holy Habits found in the Word of God that will assist us in our pursuit of holiness.
3. To learn to pursue a life of holiness and train ourselves in godliness above all else.

2 Focal Scripture Passages for This Series:

1 Peter 1:13-16, 1 Timothy 4:7-8

Last week’s question: What Do We Need Before We Can Develop Holy Habits?

1. A Relationship with Jesus (*Matthew 7:21-23*)
2. A Desire for Discipleship (*Luke 9:23-24*)
3. A Willingness to Worship (*Romans 12:1-2*)
4. A Readiness to Serve (*Isaiah 6:8*)

Tonight we will identify, describe, discuss, and practice the first and most important Holy Habit: Prayer.

What is prayer?

- Prayer is the way in which believers communicate with God.
- Prayer is an address, conversation, and dialogue between believers and God.
- Prayer can be oral, mental, occasional, constant, formal, or informal.
- Prayer can be done individually or corporately (as a group)

So, why should we pray, how should we pray, and what should we pray for?

Why?

Why Should We Pray?

1. **God commands us to pray...**
(*1 Thessalonians 5:17*)
2. **Jesus prayed regularly...**
(*Matt. 14:23, Mark 1:35, Luke 5:16, John 17*)
3. **Prayer gives us an opportunity to...**
 - **Spend Time with God** (*Matthew 6:6*)
 - **Communicate with God** (*1 John 5:14*)
 - **Praise God** (*2 Samuel 22:2-4*)
 - **Thank God** (*1 Thessalonians 5:18*)
 - **Listen to God** (*Psalms 37:7*)
 - **Know and Remain in God’s Will**
(*Romans 12:1-2*)
 - **Ask For Forgiveness** (*1 John 1:9*)
 - **Ask for our Needs and Desires**
(*Philippians 4:6*)
 - **Help Others** (*James 5:16*)
 - **Demonstrate Faith and Trust in God**
(*Psalms 5:2-3*)
4. **Through prayer, God provides...**
 - **Power** (*James 5:16*)
 - **Strength** (*Ephesians 3:16*)
 - **Wisdom** (*James 1:5*)
 - **Protection** (*Psalms 18:2-3*)
 - **Peace** (*Philippians 4:6-7*)
 - **Rest** (*Matthew 11:28*)
5. **God hears and answers our prayers...**
(*1 John 5:14-15*)

How?

How Should We Pray?

1. **Like Jesus** (*Philippians 2:5*)
 - **Jesus taught His disciples how to pray, and how not to pray**
(*Matthew 5:5-13, Luke 11:1-13*)
 - **Jesus modeled how to pray** (*Mark 1:35*)

2. **Continuously** (*1 Thessalonians 5:17*)
3. **Strategically** (*Mark 1:35*)
4. **Humbly** (*2 Chronicles 7:14*)
5. **Boldly** (*Hebrews 4:16*)
6. **Confidently** (*1 John 5:14*)
7. **Passionately** (*James 5:17*)
8. **Expectantly** (*John 14:13-14*)
9. **Faithfully** (*Romans 12:12*)
10. **Purposefully** (*Psalms 5:1-12*)

What?

What Should We Pray For?

1. **Forgiveness of Sins** (*1 John 1:9*)
2. **God’s Will** (*Romans 12:1-2*)
3. **Power** (*James 5:16*)
4. **Strength** (*Ephesians 3:16*)
5. **Wisdom** (*James 1:5*)
6. **Protection** (*Psalms 18:2-3*)
7. **Peace** (*Philippians 4:6-7*)
8. **Rest** (*Matthew 11:28*)
9. **Others** (*James 5:16*)
10. **Our Needs and Desires** (*Philippians 4:6*)

Prayer Model

What is a Good Model for Daily Prayer?

Commit to a consistent place and time of solitude, and pray in this manner...

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| A – Adoration | Express to God your love, admiration, and adoration for Him |
| C – Confession | Confess and repent of your sins to God and ask Him to forgive you |
| T – Thanksgiving | Thank God for who He is and for what He does and has done for you |
| S – Supplication | Ask God for your specific needs and desires |