Upcoming Events

11/15 Math on the Job Volunteer Opportunity

11/19 Dads Breakfast

11/19 Big Daddy Weave Concert

12/10 Thrill of HOPE Holiday Parties

Challenges

Challenge 1 (enthusiast): At the end of each day this week, write down 1-2 "divine appointments" that you experienced. A divine appointment is where God acts in your life in a subtle and potentially unnoticeable way. It could a random text message or a verse that you remember at just the right time, or an improbable circumstance that comes to you. Find 1-2 ways that God worked in your day and write them down.

Challenge 2 (contemplative): Practice silence for 3-5 minutes two times this week. You can sit or stand or kneel, but just make sure you are in a place with zero distractions. Force yourself to be absolutely silent for 3-5 minutes – focusing only on God's Presence and nothing else. Afterwards, write down your thoughts in your

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The Well

Welcome to The Well



COFFEE'S ON US

Enjoy a hot cup of coffee and snacks.



WE'D LOVE TO MEET YOU

Stop by the Connection Table so we can get to know each other.



FILL YOUR BUCKET

We'll start soon with a time of praise followed by an inspiring message.



Enthusiasts and Contemplatives

November 6, 2016

EnthusiastsLOVING GOD THROUGH EXPECTANCY

"For of Him and through Him and to Him are all things, to whom be glory forever. Amen." Romans 11:36

Wrong way = everything is
Right way = God is
"they should seek the Lord, in the hope that they might grope for Him and find Him, though He is not far from each one of us; for in Him we live and move and have our being" Acts 17:27-28
'For we are God's fellow workers" 1 Corinthians 3:9
Core belief of enthusiasts: God is and in my life
'Now He did not do many mighty works there because of their unbelief." Matthew 13:58
Pitfall of Enthusiasts =

Contempletives LOVING GOD THROUGH ADORATION

"One thing I ask from the Lord, this only do I seek: that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to gaze on the beauty of the Lord and to seek him in his temple." Psalm 27:4

"O God, You are my God; early will I seek You; my soul thirsts for You; my flesh longs for You in a dry and thirsty land where there is no water. So I have looked for You in the sanctuary, to see Your power and Your glory. Because Your lovingkindness is better than life" Psalm 63:1-3

"The first of all the commandments is: 'Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one. And you shall love the Lord your God with all your <u>HEART</u>, with all your <u>SOUL</u>, with all your mind, and with all your strength.' This is the first commandment." Mark 12:29

Contemplatives strive to

"Let there be no studied elegance in the words of your prayer... do not launch out into long discourses that fritter away your mind in efforts for eloquence. One word alone spoken by the publican touched Gods' mercy; a single word full of faith saved the good thief. Many words in prayer often fill the mind with images and distract it, while often one single word draws it into recollection." St. John Climacus (579-606 AD)

Pitfall of Contemplatives = _____

"Be still, and know that I am God"
Psalm 46:10