

WEEKLY GUIDE

SEPTEMBER 20, 2020

1 ATTEND!

SUNDAYS
(IN PERSON OR ONLINE)

BIBLE READINGS:

Proverbs 4:25; Matthew 25:1-13; John 14:12-21, 15:26-27, 16:7-15; Romans 8:9; Ephesians 5:18

PROVERBS 4:25 (MSG)

Keep your eyes straight ahead; ignore the sideshow distractions.

JOHN 14:16-17

I will pray the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may abide with you forever— the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees Him nor knows Him; but you know Him, for He dwells with you and will be in you.

JOHN 15:26

When the Helper comes, whom I shall send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who proceeds from the Father, He will testify of Me.

JOHN 16:7-8, 13

It is to your advantage that I go away; for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you; but if I depart, I will send Him to you. 8 And when He has come, He will convict the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment: However, when He, the Spirit of truth, has come, He will guide you into all truth.

ROMANS 8:9

Now if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, he is not His.

EPHESIANS 5:18

Do not be drunk with wine, in which is dissipation; but be filled with the Spirit.

MATTHEW 25:1-4

Then the kingdom of heaven shall be likened to ten virgins who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom. 2 Now five of them were wise, and five were foolish. 3 Those who were foolish took their lamps and took no oil with them, 4 but the wise took oil in their vessels with their lamps.

ADDITIONAL VERSES:

Acts 1:8, 4:31; Romans 8:15-16; 1 Corinthians 2:3-5, 6:11, 12; 4-11, Galatians 4:6, 5:22-23; 2 Thessalonians 2:13

2 TALK!

DISCUSS THE
LESSONS

3 PRAY!

MAKE YOUR
REQUESTS
KNOWN TO GOD

4 DO!

PUT THE
LESSONS INTO
PRACTICE

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TIME FOR REFLECTION:

1. Did you have the opportunity to reflect on last week's lesson? How were you able to apply it to your life? Did you identify any areas of your life where you were distracted, troubled, or anxious? Did you find yourself comparing yourself to others? Did you have any opportunities to practice hospitality? How did you do? What grade would you give yourself? How can you do better?
2. Why is the Holy Spirit so essential? What place do you give the Holy Spirit in your life? What are you actively doing to make sure you are continually filled with the Spirit?
3. What aspect of the ministry of the Holy Spirit is most relevant to you? How does the Holy Spirit help you on a daily and weekly basis? Are there any areas where you could use help but have been trying to do it on your own? How can the Holy Spirit help you this week?
4. How can the Holy Spirit help you share your faith and testify of Christ? What role does the Holy Spirit play in bringing people to salvation? In what ways does the Spirit help people grow in their understanding of their salvation and their relationship with the Father?
5. Do you think the world is a mess? Are we living in the last days? Are you rapture ready... ready for Christ's return? Are you living like you are ready? Is your lamp filled with oil? Are you full of the Spirit? What changes do you need to make so that you are ready?
6. How are you helping those around you be ready? How can you be a vessel the Holy Spirit works through to bring comfort to those who are anxious and troubled? Are you willing to make a commitment to step out of your comfort zone to bring comfort to someone this week?
7. What are your favorite insights from the lesson today? How will you apply it to your life?

PRAYER REQUESTS:

1. Pray for our nation, that America would experience revival and awakening
2. Pray for our leaders to humble themselves, and pray, and seek God's face.
3. Pray for your neighbors, friends, and families to make God a priority in their lives.
4. Pray that the Holy Spirit would help you to testify of Christ and be a witness this week.
5. Pray for our local businesses and all who are experiencing financial hardship and uncertainty.
6. Pray for children, youth, and teachers as schools start back up, for everyone's safety and health.
7. Pray for the Church to rely on the demonstration of the Spirit and of power.

THE REST OF THE WEEK:

1. Read God's Word and allow His Spirit to reveal, correct, and encourage you.
2. Invite someone to take in a Sunday service with you next week, in person or online.
3. Practice intentional acts of kindness. Love without prejudice. Be merciful.
4. Take time for yourself. Do something that brings you joy and refreshes you.
5. Reach out to someone. Share your faith with others. Encourage someone!
6. Do something outside your comfort zone. Let God use you this week!
7. Let God continually fill you with His Holy Spirit this week.

HAVE A BLESSED WEEK! SEE YOU NEXT SUNDAY!

