



Weekly Newsletter

Blessings, AFCN family!

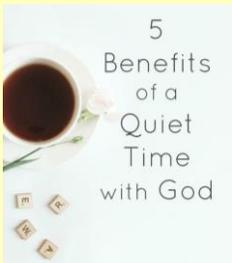
So thankful for all that God is doing, as we become equipped as disciples and students of our Heavenly Creator!

This past Sunday, we talked about how to go deeper into the word of God. Perhaps we should consider what is happening within our hearts before we ever sit down to read the Bible. What I mean is, do we even have a desire to know God more and to be more like Christ in our lives? If we are feeling like we have no desire to read our Bibles and to grow in our walk with Christ, I would encourage getting on our faces before God and asking him to awaken our hearts. To soften hearts that have grown cold or hard over the time that we have not spent with him. The more disconnected we are from God, the harder our hearts will grow and the less interested we will be to know him and to grow in him. So perhaps a time of prayer and crying out to God for renewal and awakening in our own hearts should be first before we sit down and try to hear from God's heart as we read through his word.

If you have yet to begin a consistent quiet time and consistent time of Bible reading, go to God and ask him to reignite the passion you have for your loving Savior. And scripture says don't worry about today, today has enough worries of its own. Put aside the distractions of daily living and make time with God a priority.

I would love for you to share with me how God is speaking to your heart through these focused quiet times and times in the Word! I look forward to seeing you all soon! Please continue to pray for your community, for the body of AFCN, and for the upcoming elections. May God have his way in our lives and in our world. Love you all!

~Pastor Rick



- 1) Renew your thoughts.** *Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—His good, pleasing and perfect will. (Romans 12:2, NIV)*
- 2) Remember God's greatness.** *I will remember the deeds of the Lord; yes, I will remember Your miracles of long ago. (Psalm 77:11, NIV)*
- 3) Refresh your soul.** *He refreshes my soul. He guides me along the right paths for His name's sake. (Psalm 23:3, NIV)*

- 4) Restore your joy.** *Restore to me the joy of Your salvation and grant me a willing spirit, to sustain me. (Psalm 51:12, NIV)*
- 5) Remind you of truth.** *But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you. (John 14:26, NIV)*

Starting the day with God allows us to hear His words before we start using ours. Filling our minds and hearts with His Word gives us His perspective. It enables us to connect with the One who knows us best and loves us most.

An excerpt from: <https://www.crystalstorms.me/2018/04/quiet-time-with-god/>



Sunday Worship LiveStream

If you are not ready, or able, to join us in person on Sunday Mornings, we invite you to worship along with us using our YouTube LiveStream!

Find the link at:

www.augustafirstchurch.org/live

Sundays

Lower Parking Lot

- *Drop-off/Pick-up in Lower Parking Lot before proceeding to Sunday Worship in the Sanctuary
- *Social Distancing Protocols will be maintained, including masks, distancing, and hand sanitizing.



Nursery Care is now available during our Sunday Morning Worship Service! Workers will follow COVID guidelines, and all participants will be screened for symptoms.



Do you have a question, need more information, or have a prayer request? Simply scan this QR code and let us know what you need!

Two Ways to Give from Home:

- Give online using the EasyTithe option on our homepage: www.augustafirstchurch.org
- Mail your tithes & offerings to:
Augustus First Church
30 Nazarene Drive
Augustus, ME 04330



Giving Report

Budgeted Need: Weekly – \$3,011.39 Year to Date – \$87,311.32
Balance needed for current budget Year to Date: **\$8,784.35**

10/11/2020: Weekly –\$2,343.42 Year to Date – \$75,560.97
10/18/2020: Weekly –\$2,966.00 Year to Date – \$78,526.97