

Weekly Spiritual Habits
Make It A Habit - Part 2
June 5/6, 2021
Steve Tanner - Jason Marsden - Jeff Love

1 Corinthians 12:12-27

Series Key Verse: *"Let the Spirit renew your thoughts and attitudes. Put on your new nature, created to be like God—truly righteous and holy."* Ephesians 4:23-24 (p.897)

• **As Followers Of Jesus, We Are The Body Of Christ.**

"The human body has many parts, but the many parts make up one whole body. So it is with the body of Christ...the body has many different parts, not just one part." 1 Corinthians 12:12,14 (p.877)

1. Celebration.

"...Be filled with the Holy Spirit, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, and making music to the Lord in your hearts. And give thanks for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ." Ephesians 5:18b-20 (p.898)

"Be happy with those who are happy, and weep with those who weep." Romans 12:15 (p.866)

2. Fellowship.

"And let us not neglect our meeting together, as some people do, but encourage one another, especially now that the day of his return is drawing near." Hebrews 10:25 (p.926)

"The eye can never say to the hand, 'I don't need you.' The head can't say to the feet, 'I don't need you.'" 1 Corinthians 12:21 (p.877)

3. Generosity.

"As a result of your ministry, they will give glory to God. For your generosity to them and to all believers will prove that you are obedient to the Good News of Christ." 2 Corinthians 9:13 (p.886)

"This makes for harmony among the members, so that all the members care for each other. If one part suffers, all the parts suffer with it, and if one part is honored, all the parts are glad. All of you together are Christ's body, and each of you is a part of it." 1 Corinthians 12:25-27 (p.877)

My Next Step This Week:

_____ Because I belong to God's family, I will make it a priority to practice one of the three habits we talked about today.

Celebration - Fellowship – Generosity



ONE VOICE

Discussion/Groups Guide from the Weekend Talk

From the Weekend Talk of May 29-30, 2021

Make It A Habit - Part 2: Weekly Spiritual Habits

NOTE: This is an Alive Church God Talks Series, with three short messages making up the whole of the teaching for this weekend.

Use this guide to discuss the Weekend Talk with your family or friends.

When Life Groups are in session they use questions like these to go deeper into what we talked about on the weekend. Find out more about Groups (in person and online) at alivechurch.com/groups.

Conversation Starters

- What is the first thing that comes to mind when you think of "Church"?
 - Why do you think that was your first thought?
- Have you ever lost the use of a part of your body temporarily, like, for example, a broken arm or leg? How did you compensate for the temporary loss?
 - Or perhaps you have lost the usage of an arm or leg or even speech through a stroke or car accident. How have you come to terms with this loss?
- Have you ever lost someone whom you rely on?
 - How have you managed to cope through the period of readjustment?

Quick Review

Looking back at your Talk Notes, was there anything you heard in the service that stood out, challenged, or maybe even confused you?

Discussion Starters from the Weekend Talk

Refer to the Talk Notes and related Bible verses from this Weekend's Talk Notes.

- **Series key verse: Ephesians 4:23-24 (p.897).**

The key spiritual principle focused on this week comes from our three speakers: Steve Tanner, Jason Marsden, and Jeff Love:

- ***As Followers Of Jesus, We Are The Body of Christ.***
 - Today's background Bible passage is from 1 Corinthians 12:12-27 (p.877) with particular focus on 12:12-14.

The three habits we look to this week are Celebration, Fellowship, and Generosity.

1. **Celebration.** (Ephesians 5:18b-20 (p.898) and Romans 12:15 (p.866))
 - What are some of your favorite celebrations?
 - What makes them special?

- Why is it important that we “be happy” AND “weep” together?
- Additional notes to consider:
 - After Jesus had celebrated the last Passover meal (what we know as the Lord’s supper) with his disciples, they sang a hymn together (Matthew 26:30 (p.757). Singing is such an important part of our walk with Jesus - In the Matthew reference, it was probably a psalm of thanksgiving for their deliverance out of Egypt.
 - Also when Jesus enters Jerusalem he says to the Pharisees in Luke 19:40 (‘*the stones along the road will burst out into cheers*’)
 - When the church comes together to sing songs of worship and have times of corporate prayer, God is Glorified.

2. Fellowship. (Hebrews 10:25 (p.926) and 1 Corinthians 12:21 (p.877))

- When do you feel like you are the most accepted and loved? Or, as Pastor Jason said, “Needed and Known”?
- Pastor Jason spoke of the need to “get connected and stay connected.”
 - How can you do that?
 - How can you do that, even in an environment that—for whatever reason—keeps you physically separated from others?

3. Generosity (2 Corinthians 9:13 (p.886); 1 Corinthians 12:25-27 (p.877))

- How would you explain generosity to a small child?
- Who taught you how to be generous? ‘What was it that made an impact on you?’
- Other notes to consider:
 - Generosity is not just money but it also time and sharing gifts - fixing up shelves for someone who can’t do it. Teaching a teenager how to change their oil. Decorating a single mom’s house... all are acts of generosity.
 - Doing things as a church or life group in service both at the church or for one another shows the love of Jesus.

Next Step

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Use the link on the app or go to your Connection Card at www.alivechurch.com/card to indicate you are taking this Next Step so that we can pray for you.

What’s Ahead

- ***This weekend we continue our series: “Make It a Habit.”***
 - The lives we have are the greatest gift from God. In our lives, we seek meaning, value, and purpose. Even when we have drained that away, there is an answer. We can make

new habits that bring us closer to God. We can go down a new road that gives purpose, meaning, and value to every minute of every day.

- ***At The Movies is coming!*** “ATM” is always a favorite series because we take extended clips from popular movies and use them to teach a biblical lesson. It’s a great time to invite your friends to come watch with you at the church campus or online at home. The popcorn will be popping and the excitement will be big! ***ATM begins the weekend of June 18/19 in all of our services.***
- ***Have you signed up for our Alive Church Newsletter?***
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