

Emmanuel Prayer Needs

New Life Women's Home

- As women rebuild their lives, we pray this Christmas is a blessed time of joy for each one.
- We pray for the counselors and all staff as they continue to help the women and make this residence a safe place.
- May the women find their strength in God to overcome the issues they have.
- We give thanks for the individuals who donate financially as well as the corporations who give services and products in support of this program and the facility for women.
- As we enjoy freedom and peace in Canada, let us not forget the countries at war. May we pray for Israel, Palestine, Syria, Ukraine. . . and many other areas where people live in fear.

Study Continued

7. Read John 1:32-34. When Jesus was baptized, the Holy Spirit came upon Him like a dove. When we receive Jesus, we receive the Holy Spirit. It is the Holy Spirit who comes into our life, who makes us a child of God (Read Romans 8:9 and 8:15-17). Here are just a few of the many passages about the work of the Holy Spirit within us.

We are born again by the Spirit (John 3:5-16)

The Holy Spirit 'seals' us (Ephesians 1:13-14)

The Holy Spirit guides us and empowers us for life (John 16:13; 1 Cor 12:12-14; Galatians 5:22-23)

How do you feel that the Holy Spirit is working in your life?

8. Read Ephesians 5:15-20. This passage calls on us to be filled with the Holy Spirit. I encourage you to pray and ask God about anything in your life that needs to be got rid of, changed etc. in order for you to be filled with the Holy Spirit, and ask God to pour His Holy Spirit into your life and fill you thoroughly.



John 1:15-34

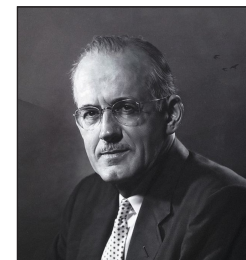
Look! The Lamb of God

EMMANUEL Wesley Acres Church
FamilyLife Wesley Acres
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Retreat & Workshop
Feb. 7-8 Wesley Acres \$50 per couple
Wesley Acres Retreat Center
\$50 per Couple + Accommodations
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Saturday January 25th 3pm
For Kids ages 6-12 years
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A.W. Tozer

Faith is not a once-done act, but a continuous gaze of the heart at the Triune God. Believing, then, is directing the hearts' attention to Jesus. It is lifting the mind to 'behold the Lamb of God,' and never ceasing that beholding for the rest of our lives.



John 1:15-34 Look! The lamb of God

Heaven's light:

GOD DRAW'S US TO HIMSELF

John the Baptist: John 1:8 came only as a _____ to the light (Luke 3:3; Matt 3:4)

Darkness =

John 1:20-21 Are you the _____

Are you _____ (Malachi 4:5)

Are you the _____ (Deuteronomy 18:15)

GOD CHANGES OUR LIVES

John 1:23 I am the voice of one calling in the wilderness, '_____
_____, make straight paths for Him.'

(Isaiah 4:1-5)

How do we prepare the way?

1. _____

John 1:29

2. _____

John 1:30-31

What is baptism? (Romans 6:1-4)

i.

ii.

iii.

iv.

GOD EMPOWERS US TO LIVE

3. _____

John 1:32-34

John 1:12

We must receive Him as _____ and be filled with the _____

Ephesians 5:15-20, John 14:16-17

1. When you hear that the people were living in darkness, what does that mean, and what does it seem like to you, if you were living in darkness?

2. Read Luke 1:13-17, Luke 3:3, Matthew 3:4 and John 1:1-8. John the Baptist was sent to point the way to Jesus. How has God used people in your life to point you to Jesus when you were in 'darkness'?

How does He continue to do that?

3. Read Isaiah 9:6-7, Jeremiah 23:5-6; Malachi 4:5; Deuteronomy 18:15. There are over 300 Old testament prophecies about a coming Messiah (which means 'anointed one'). When John the Baptist came, many thought that he might be the Messiah. It is also recorded by historians of that day, that there was an expectation that the Messiah was coming at that time. Put yourself in the position of a Jewish person of that day. How would you have responded to the preaching of John the Baptist?

4. Read John 1:19-23 and Isaiah 40:1-5. Who does John say that he is?

Why do you think it was important for God to send John the Baptist?

Who are the people that have influenced you in your walk with the Lord? How?

5. Read John 1:29. Why is Jesus called the 'lamb of God'? (Hebrews 10 is a good reference for answering this question, especially verses 11-14). Also read the A.W. Tozer quote on the front cover, with reference to this verse.

6. Read John 1:30-31 and Matthew 3:13-16. John the Baptist says that the reason he came baptizing was that Jesus, 'might be revealed to Israel.' When Jesus came to be baptized, it was for that purpose, as Jesus did not have any sin that He needed to be cleansed of. It was a public declaration of His ministry, it showed that He identified with sinners and gave us the example of our need to be baptized. Now read Romans 6:1-4. Pastor Peter gave four important aspects of baptism. What were they? Explain each one.

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