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Appointments With God - posted by billy1980 (), on: 2021/2/22 11:29

Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and pleading with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all comprehension, will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus. Philippians 4:6-7

I work for a cellphone company, and get my schedule a week at a time. Now we each have schedules we have to follow throughout our week. Work is one thing on our schedules we really can't change. Some things however we have made habits of with our time that we don't have to do, but we've just done it that way for a long time. If you are a Christian I want to ask you a personal question. What is your daily routine? Certainly you have a work schedule. It is important to maintain that obligation. We must provide for our families. What else is part of your normal daily routine though?

If part of your normal daily routine does not involve a time solely given to communion with Christ. I want to encourage you to start setting those massively important daily appointments! Honestly, it's our most important set of appointments as Christians to have each day. We cannot live our life in Christ rightly without devoting time daily to prayer/talking/listening to God The Father.

Jesus our prime example had daily appointments with God the Father. These were vital as Jesus said, "The Son can do nothing of His own accord, but only what He sees the Father doing. For whatever He does the Son does likewise." John 5:19

He also said "I can do nothing on my own authority; as I hear, I judge." John 5:30

After He had sent the crowds away, He went up on the mountain by Himself to pray; and when it was evening, He was there alone. Matthew 14:23

In the early morning, while it was still dark, Jesus got up, left the house, and went away to a secluded place, and was praying there. Mark 1:35

But Jesus Himself would often slip away to the wilderness and pray. Luke 5:16

If Jesus sought God the Father in all things. Continually setting and keeping appointments with God the Father. How much more do we need such appointments for divine guidance, and communication?

I'm writing this to you because our communication with Christ is extremely important! As an example, tonight my uncle came up, I haven't seen Him in a bit. However I have an appointment with our Lord every morning, and I have a set time to spend with my Lord between 10:30ish pm until repentance through Christ blood for any known or unknown sins, praising Him, praying for others, praying for what the Spirit brings to mind and quiet listening and being in His presence has played out. So I explained this to my uncle. How important it is that I go through with it every single day. Then I went to my appointment. Afterwards, I shared with him about my wonderful Savior more fully, and my dire need to keep my appointments with Him, and the reasons why. Our appointments with God the Father are important!

I want to encourage you to set up these daily appointments to! It will extremely help you with your walk with Christ! We need continual communication with Him, if we are ever going to walk and do what He wants us to do rightly! Think on what you could take out of the way to make those appointments work. TV, Facebook, the News, YouTube, magazines, cutting off the radio in the car etc. Whatever it is, I promise you your communion with Jesus is more important!

God the Father desires these appointments with us! Lets not try to hide from Him as Adam did. Instead, lets repent of any sins hindering us from spending time with Him, through Christ blood and schedule those appointments with our creator and sustainer daily!

Therefore, since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let's

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hold firmly to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but One who has been tempted in all things just as we are, yet without sin. Therefore let us approach the throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace for help at the time of our need.â€” Hebrews 4:14-16 NASB

Re: Appointments With God - posted by TMK (), on: 2021/2/22 12:46

I spend about an hour in the word every morning before I do much else.

One thing that has suffered during the pandemic, and because I no longer have a 45 minute commute each way, is worship and listening to sermons. I used to do that during my commute- not every day each way but on a regular basis.

I do miss that- there really is no excuse why I cannot do them more now- it was just a natural time to do it while I was driving.

Re: Appointments With God - posted by brothagary, on: 2021/2/22 14:55

Mine has changed over the years, right now I get up in the early hours about 300 and spend about 3 or four hours praying and meditating on the word watching sermons and singing then i might have nap for 30 min or up to an hour then i do the same for another 2 or three hours, then i chat with my old father who i live with at the moment, some times during that time of chatting i witness to him because he is an unbeliever for an hour or two, then about 12oclock lunchtime, i try to pray sing and meditate for an hour or two or three,, then after that once iv had dinner about 6 or seven o'clock I spend about three or four hours meditating in the word with sermons pray and sing till i go to sleep ,that my normal routine from about Christmas last year ,I'm having a sabbatical from work right now, so I'm blessed with plenty of time , i got know time for movies or tv or recreation no desire,so I'm just going with it and praising god grace at the moment in a new fear of god ,not wanting things to go back to normal. i do know one thing we all have different callings and time constraints , but i encourage everyone not to waste any time that you do have spare watching movies or tv or playing sports or games that dont led to godliness, bodily exercise prophets little, don't make to much of the body because its just avenue to feed the flesh and the old nature , fasting has taught me that , learn the power of the flesh and the old nature, and try to beat him to death daily and gain mastery over him , and understand the true nature of the new man who is recreated and bears the image of the heavenly man and feed the new man what he wants and needs to grow , we are not near humans anymore and we don't bare the image of the man of dust ,that man died with christ ,by faith grab hold of that truth and make no provisions for the flesh of adam ,but make provision for the spirit man , who is one spirit with christ Jesus, so that he can take over your whole soul and become one with the innerman because flesh and blood will not inherit the kingdom of god ,as that new man is formed into the image of christ ,we relise how much time we waste trying to keep the flesh and the old man alive , its not worth it brothers , not worth it at all , the time is so short , its the time to bare much good fruit as Jesus wants of us , in me that is in my flesh nothing good dwels , all he has the old man is a form of godliness but he denies that power of god ,from such men turn away , don't beat the air as a shadow boxer, bring your body into subjection and flatten him daily with measured blows to head and the body and he will become weaker and weaker , learn the power of releasing the spirit , for taming and destroying the power of the ego all the power is within the spirit, the spirit is indeed willing but the flesh is weak and he lusts against the spirit ,and the spirit lusts against the flesh , these are so contrary to one another and till we learn the power of our enemy we wont be able to do what we wish , we will only in our mind know to do good , but how to perform and act it out we wont have the power do it that way we want , we really don't have time to waste on worldly things , not if we are serious on fulfilling the righeouse requirements of the law and fulfilling our destany in christ jesus ,which is to grow in to a perfect man as god is perfect ,be imitators of god dear children , and walk as Chrsit walked , that is the apostals doctrine. Everyone who names the name of Christ is to depart from iniquity, all those who say I abide in Christ,ought to walk just as he walked, a disciple is not greater then his master,but when he is trained,he becomes like his master, let's be conformed to the image of Gods only begotten son because you are now a son of God in the lineage of Jesus Christ, he was the firstborn among many, and you and me are the many, grow in Christ, and be fully pleasing to God. That he may say to us, well done good and faithful servant.