

# SERMON NOTES

## Second Corinthians

Spent for Your Souls

2 Corinthians 12:11-21

**Brian Mayfield**

Lead Pastor

A pastor's heart and life should be joyfully \_\_\_\_\_ for his people.

A faithful pastor \_\_\_\_\_ the Lord more than those he's pastoring.

The heart and life of a pastor is a heart and life of \_\_\_\_\_.

Additional Scriptures:

Hebrews 13:7, 17, Ephesians 4:29



Follow along with today's message on the YouVersion Bible App.  
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# the brook

worship. grow. serve. **together.**

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## Our Mission & Strategy

Here at The Brook, our mission is to live intentionally to bring God's Kingdom everywhere we go! We believe we can best accomplish our mission by following this simple strategy:



If you are reading this, then that means that you have decided to join us for a morning of worship. This is the first step in our strategy. We believe that corporate worship should be a central part of a believer's life, but also that worship is a way of life, striving to put Christ first in everything that we say and do.



As a general rule, healthy things grow. This is true for your faith as well! Here at The Brook, we believe this is best done through Community Groups. These groups provide opportunities to dive deeper into God's Word, build relationships, enjoy accountability with others, & reach out to serve our community.



God has given each person unique gifts and talents, and we believe that those should be used for His glory through serving the church, our community, and the people that God places in our lives! We desire to see all of our people serving and would love to help you figure out what that looks like for you.



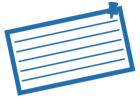
When we worship, grow, and serve together, we experience true godly fellowship. God designed us to be in fellowship with one another, and we would love for you to experience that with us here at The Brook!

# WELCOME TO THE BROOK

Thank you for joining us for worship this morning. Our hope is that you feel welcome, sense the love of God in our people, and enjoy worshipping with us.

## NEXT STEPS

### CONNECTING



#### CONNECT CARDS

While you are here, please take a minute to fill out a Connect Card located in the seat back pocket and drop it in one of the offering boxes on your way out this morning. To fill out a digital version of our Connect Card, text "connect" to (256) 333-6842.



#### OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

Part of our strategy at The Brook is to get people connected through serving. Whether it's our Children's Ministry, Connection Team, Worship Team, or another team, we'd love to get you plugged in to a serving opportunity. Visit our website ([thebrookchurch.com](http://thebrookchurch.com)) for more details.



#### GROUPS

Visit our website ([thebrookchurch.com](http://thebrookchurch.com)) to learn more about Serve Groups, Grow Groups, and Community Groups, and how you can get connected into one of these Discipleship Pathways.

## GIVING

Part of our response to God in worship is giving back to Him. Here at The Brook, you can do this in several ways. However the Lord leads you to give, we encourage you to give regularly, cheerfully, and sacrificially!



#### OFFERING BOXES

Place cash or a check (made out to The Brook) in an offering envelope and place it in one of the two offering boxes located at the back of the Worship Center or in the one located in the Lobby. Be sure to include your name and address on the front of the envelope.



#### WEBSITE

Give online from our website ([thebrookchurch.com](http://thebrookchurch.com)), where you can make one-time contributions or set up recurring gifts.



#### TEXT TO GIVE

Text the amount that you would like to give to (256) 333-6842. For example, if you want to give \$100, you can type 100 or \$100. Either will work. The first time you do this, you will have to complete a simple registration to link your phone to your giving account. After the initial setup, it takes less than five seconds to give to The Brook.

# UPCOMING EVENTS

## New Community Group

The Wrenn Community Group launched on **March 5**. Check out this new Community Group by going to [thebrookchurch.com/connect/grow](http://thebrookchurch.com/connect/grow).

## Connection Group

If you are looking for a place to connect, join us Sunday in the Connection center during the 10:45 service to connect with others and get a glimpse of the regular rhythms of our Community Groups. All you have to do is show up.

## Parent Equip Night // March 27

"Parenting in a Digital Age" - We will hear licensed professional counselors discuss how we can utilize technology to invest in our children, safeguard them from the trappings of social media, and have open lines of communication about technology. This event will be held in The Refinery from 6:30-8:30pm on **March 27**. Childcare will be provided. Register at [thebrookchurch.com](http://thebrookchurch.com).

## Ladies' Hangout // April 11

Ladies, if you are desiring to simply connect with other ladies at The Brook, then come and join us at Phil Sandovals, Thursday, **April 11**. We have reserved their party room from 6-8pm for you to come hangout, fellowship and connect, while enjoying good food. Please bring money for your food and drinks. To help us know who is coming, please sign-up at [thebrookchurch.com](http://thebrookchurch.com).

## Men's Night // April 12

Men, make sure to join us for Men's Night on Friday, **April 12** at The Brook, 6-8:30pm. This night has been designed for you to connect with other men through good food and godly fellowship. Navy Commander Frank Weisser, a two-time Blue Angels Pilot who has been deployed in combat three times, and was also a pilot on Top Gun: Maverick will be with us to share his story and challenge us to live life on mission. The cost is \$35 and sign-up begins today. Register at [thebrookchurch.com](http://thebrookchurch.com).

## Beach Camp // May 27-31

Parents of students, the deadline to register for Beach Camp is **May 1**. Register at [thebrookchurch.com](http://thebrookchurch.com).

# IMPORTANT INFORMATION

## Baptism & the Lord's Supper

In the New Testament, the church is given two required ordinances to follow: Baptism and the Lord's Supper. While they are both very powerful symbols of the Lord's death and resurrection, they are also public professions and identifications that we belong to the Church, the Body of Christ.

Baptism is the first step of obedience for a follower of Jesus. It is the believer's public profession of faith in Christ. In Romans 6, Paul says, "We are buried with Christ in baptism and raised to walk in newness of life." One of our pastors or elders would love to talk to you about taking this step of faith and obedience.

For baptized believers, the Lord's Supper is the remembrance of what that baptism represents: Jesus's body was broken & his blood was spilled to wash away our sin. Through the preaching of the Word and the worship of the saints, we HEAR the gospel. As we take the Lord's Supper together this morning, we SEE the gospel.