

Below is a list of resources to help you dig deeper into today's sermon topic! However, by recommending them, we are <u>not</u> giving a blanket endorsement to the author or every sentence you'll read. As you read these, practice discernment: "chew the meat and spit out the bones"!!!

- John Ortberg Soul Keeping: Caring for the Most Important Part of You
- Dallas Willard Renovation of the Heart Note: Dallas' books are not "easy reads" but they are worth the effort!
- Janet Hagberg & Rocert Guelich The Critical Journey: Stages in the Life of Faith (2nd Edition)
- Philip Yancey Disappointment with God
- Craig Groeschel Hope in the Dark: Believing God Is Good When Life Is Not

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# How Are You REALLY Doing?

Week 4 of Series: In a Desert August 10, 2025

We don't want you to just "go to church"

We want you to encounter God!

May you experience His love, His grace, His mercy, His goodness.

Welcome to The Mission. We're glad you're here!

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All groups listed below are open attendance; contact the leader to jump in!

#### **Random Acts of Kindness**

Bring \$10 donation to bless someone in an act of kindness and enjoy dinner together. Led by Heather M., 1st Tuesday of the month at 6pm at Savory Grill. Email heathermarin53@gmail.com

#### Read the Word

Reading Scripture aloud for one hour, then discussion, led by Rebecca S.,
Tuesdays at 7-8:30pm in the Prayer Room. Email
admin@themission.church

#### Mission Men

Men's Bible study and life group, led by Patrick O., Tuesday nights at various homes for the summer. Email pomalley111@yahoo.com

#### **Prayer on Wednesdays**

Group and individual prayer, led by Kellie K. every Wednesday 6:30-8pm in the Prayer Room.

#### **Young Adults on Thursdays**

Bible study for young adults (18-29), led by Noah Y., every Thursday 7-9pm in the Youth Room. Text Noah at (586)453-8038.

#### Widows Walking the Way

Widows enjoying breakfast and fellowship every 1st Saturday of the month at 9:30am, led by Alison G. Email alisongavel@ilj.com

# WW's Walking the Way

Widows & widowers sharing their journeys, every 3rd Sunday of the month 3-4:30pm in The Mission lobby, led by Alison G. Email alisongavel@ilj.com

#### Men's Brunch

Men's fellowship and food at The Corner House, August 17, after the 11am service, led by Kirk M. Email kirkmcwilliam1968@gmail.com

## **Kingdom Warriors**

Putting faith into action, next project Monday, August 25 6:30-8:30pm at Oakland Hills Farm and Garden, doing garden/yard work. Everyone welcome - bring gloves and a friend! Led by Kirk M. Email kirkmcwilliam1968@gmail.com



### **Estate Planning Seminar**

To help people be the best stewards of all that God has provided them, we are providing an equipping workshop to explain estate planning topics like wills, trusts, and donations PLUS offer you tools to use. The workshop will be held at the church on Saturday, August 23 9:30-noon and is completely free to attend. RSVP using the website or church center app and spread the word!



#### **Mission Kids**

Every Sunday during the 11am service, while adults are in the sanctuary, our kids are learning about God's love with age-appropriate lessons and activities! If you have questions about our MKids program or would like to express interest in volunteering, please email logan.monbleau@themission.church

#### Welcome!

If you're new or newer to our church but have never stopped by the Welcome table in the Lobby, please do so! There's more information about the goings-on at and around our church, free resources for you to use, plus a gift for you!

#### **An Acre of Grass**

The church co-owns the one acre of grass immediately to the south of our building. Feel free to use it all summer long! It would be a great place to hang out after church. Bring a blanket, a picnic basket, frisbees, and more!

#### Mission Youth

Every Sunday during the 11am service, we offer Mission Youth to teach and pour into our teens, in addition to monthly serves and fun events! If you have any questions about our Youth program, please email our Youth Coordinator at melissa.lubnow@themission.church

#### **Summer of Life**

We invite you join us in prayer that this would be a "summer of life" for our church! Please pray for: testimonies of God's goodness / mountain-moving answers to prayer / authentic community on Sundays and various get-togethers / that God would truly inhabit the praises of His people when we sing / strong church attendance / for spiritually hungry people to begin attending / an increase in tithes & offerings / new volunteers / against the devil and his schemes to steal, kill, & destroy / however else you may feel led.



#### Tom D

"I was jogging at River Bends Park when I injured my left knee. The pain was so great, it was impossible to walk on it. The only way to get to my truck was to drag my left leg while moving forward with my right leg. Instead of making an appointment with a doctor, I asked Luana to pray for a healing. God provided me with a miraculous healing, resulting in total freedom from pain and the full range of motion. Back to normal again. Praise God!!!"