

Pittman Park Prayer Guide Day 36 - 42

Sunday, February 10, 2019 - Day 36

One in Christ - Galatians 3:28

There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus.

When it comes to our relationships, let us resist and refuse to play favorites. If we're prayerful and careful as we relate to others, we can avoid the tendency to treat them in an unequal manner. We won't be playing favorites. We'll be loving profusely - and saving ourselves and our descendants from strife as well.

Let this be our prayer:

God, forgive us for the times we have shown favoritism. May we seek to love and treat others equally. We want to accurately reflect Your love for us to a watching world. Guide us in our devotion to you that we may grow in Christ daily. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

Monday, February 11, 2019 - Day 37

That they may all be One - John 17:20-21

"I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me.

God's love for us must convert to love for others so the world will know God. It's a virtuous cycle that conquers the vicious cycle of this world's discord and division. Let us use this day to focus on love — but not just for the lovable. Let's create a love explosion as we love the invisible, those we might have overlooked otherwise.

Think about your sphere of influence. Try to identify someone in your life who needs love despite the presence of obstacles to loving them. As you go through your day today, pray and ask God to show you one or two people who need to be loved like Jesus loves them, and then show love to them.

Let this be our prayer:

Lord, give us Your eyes and heart to love others even when it's hard. We want to partner with You to unleash Your love into the world so that You become known. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

Tuesday, February 12, 2019 - Day 38

Service - 1 John 4:19

We love because he first loved us.

God loved us first, so we can love others by showing them what God's love looks like! Grab a sheet of paper and tear off a small corner. Using a pencil, draw a heart, coloring it in as darkly as you can. Then take the piece of paper with the heart to the sink and wet the back of it. Press the piece of paper down on the back of your hand, and hold it tightly for a few seconds. Peel it off, and voila! You'll have a temporary tattoo of a heart to remind you that you can love and serve others just like God first loved and served you!

KNOW that we can share the love God has shown us to others!
Park KIDS series this month is **Service: Lending a helping hand to help someone else**. May each of us take on the calling of serving others. Ask God to help you give up whatever it takes to serve others well.

Wednesday, February 13, 2019 - Day 39

Dateable- Mark 12:31

You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these."

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Our Park STUDENTS are beginning a series called Dateable. Week 1 is Why Date?

What can I do to care about you? We all like the idea of dating. There's just something fun about thinking through the people we like and who might be interested in us. But what if we approached dating in a different way? What if instead of asking ourselves who we want to date, we asked ourselves why we want to date? It's an important question because knowing why we want to date will influence how we date. And, let's be honest. We all want to be good at dating. Believe it or not, God wants that for us, too! God wants all of our relationships—dating included—to be happy and healthy. And as we look at one of God's most familiar guidelines for successful relationships, we'll learn the most important thing we can do to be truly dateable.

This series directly applies to all our Middle Schoolers and High Schoolers. Please be in prayer for them as they navigate life choices and explore dating in line with Christ calling on their lives. The bottom line for the week is: Even if you're not dating anyone, **what's one thing you could do differently when it comes to caring about other people?**

Let us pray about what each of us can do differently when it comes to caring for other people.

Thursday, February 14, 2019 - Day 40

Sow a Seed - Matthew 17:20

If you have faith as small as a mustard seed...

All of us go through times of spiritual, relational, or financial famines. It seems like the harvest will never come. And the temptation is to stop planting, but my advice is simple: sow a seed. Keep praying, keep obeying, keep giving, keep sowing a seed. Keep praying, keep obeying, keep giving, keep loving, keep serving. And if you keep sowing the right seeds, the harvest of blessing will come in God's time, in God's way!

If you sow kindness, you will reap kindness.

If you sow generosity, you will reap generosity.

If you sow love, you will reap love.

Pray that God would guide you through the famines of your life and lead you into the harvest of blessing.

Friday, February 15, 2019 - Day 41

Speak to the Mountain - Matthew 17:20

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What did Jesus do when Satan tempted him in the wilderness? He fell back on the word of God. Jesus used it like a skilled swordsman. And he wasn't just defending Himself; He was delivering blows by citing chapter and verse.

Maybe we need to quit playing defense and start playing offense. Maybe we need to quit letting our circumstances get between us and God and let God get between us and our circumstances. Maybe we need to stop talking to God about our problem and start talking to our problem about God.

Lift your troubles to God and allow God to claim victory.

Saturday, February 16, 2019 - Day 42

Go. Set. Ready. Hebrews 11:8

He [Abraham] did not know where he was going.

Abraham did not know the final destination, but it did not keep him from taking the first step in the journey. What's the first step or next step you need to take in your journey? If you take the first step God will reveal the second step.

There are moments in your life where you need to quit a job, make a move, or end a relationship. And you need to take that step without knowing what the next step will be. Don't wait for more revelation; be obedient to the amount of revelation God has given you. If you are looking for excuses you will always find one.

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