
Introduction

We often speak of the promise of Jesus regarding an abundant life. If we want the abundant life, we must consistently hear the voice of our Shepherd and follow it so that we can be led into the fullness of His will.

Jesus is constantly pursuing us, and He asks for our consistent pursuit of Him.

An idea that keeps us from consistency is that of accomplishment. But the daily aim of our relationship with God is not to put a check mark next to our spiritual disciplines to do list...the goal is to walk with Jesus, to have fellowship with Him.

Another hinderance to consistency is our lack of need...it's easy to be consistent in your pursuit when you need something from God.

In Colossians 1:9-14, Paul prays for the believers, "For this reason, since the day we heard about you, we have not stopped praying for you. We continually ask God to fill you with the knowledge of his will through all the wisdom and understanding that the Spirit gives,[a] 10 so that you may live a life worthy of the Lord and please him in every way: bearing fruit in every good work, growing in the knowledge of God, 11 being strengthened with all power according to his glorious might so that you may have great endurance and patience, 12 and giving joyful thanks to the Father, who has qualified you[b] to share in the inheritance of his holy people in the kingdom of light. 13 For he has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves, 14 in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins."

We walk in the light:

1. As we are filled with the knowledge of His will through all wisdom and understanding
 2. As we live a life worthy of the Lord and please Him in every way
 3. As we bear fruit in every good work
 4. As we grow in the knowledge of God
 5. As we are strengthened with all power
 6. As we endure and have patience
 7. As we give joyful thanks to the Father
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In Jesus we have:

1. Been qualified to share in the inheritance of the saints in the kingdom of light
 2. Been rescued from the dominion of darkness
 3. Been brought into the Kingdom of the Son
 4. Been redeemed
 5. Been forgiven of our sins
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He is therefore worthy of our consistent pursuit.

In Ephesians 5, Paul exhorts us: "For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Live as children of light 9 (for the fruit of the light consists in all goodness, righteousness and truth) 10 and find out what pleases the Lord. 11 Have nothing to do with the fruitless deeds of darkness, but rather expose them."

Walking in the light means growing in consistency. And you receive the fruit of consistency evidenced by goodness, righteousness, and truth.

Consistency exists to serve your relationship with God not to hinder it. It serves you by keeping you in a rhythm of walking in the light.

1 John 1:7 "But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all sin."

Let the aim of your consistency in prayer, in worship, in fasting, in gathering, in the study of Scripture, in your obedience be to walk in the light and in fellowship with Jesus.

**WELCOME! OUR STRATEGY AT DPC: GATHER (GATHERINGS),
GROUP (CONNECT GROUPS), GROW (GROWTH PHASES),
GIVE (GIVING/GIFTING TEAMS, GO (OUTREACH))**

**SUNDAYS IN FEBRUARY- 9A +
11A FIRST COMES LOVE,
THEN COMES BAGGAGE**

It's no secret, when we get married, we carry some pretty heavy baggage into the new established relationship. This series lays out the biblical vision for marriage, relationships, sex, and gender. We focus on all stages of life - whether single, in a dating relationship, married, or divorced - and will cast a vision for marriage that goes beyond simply surviving.

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 29
6P-8P - WORSHIP NIGHT WITH
ELEVENTH HOUR WORSHIP**

We will conclude this month of spiritual fervor with a worship tonight! Join us for Worship, Stories of Transformation and Prayer. Nursery childcare will be provided.

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 24 - SUNDAY
FEBRUARY 26 - FAMILY WEEKEND**

Friday, February 24 - Movie Night - 7-9pm - Bring your family out for a night at the movies! We will be starting the movie "UP" at 7:15pm. Bring some blankets and pillows for optimum movie watching!

Saturday, February 25 - Family Olympics - Dupree Park - 1-3p - This is going to be the best day ever! Olympic games for families to participate in - from human ring toss to fly swatter golf to water frisbee fill. Don't miss it!

Sunday, February 26 - Family Sunday - 9a & 11a - Our next generation ministries will lead us in worship!

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5 - SPRING 2023 CONNECT GROUPS

Connect Group will be meeting all over the community this day! We would love for you to get plugged into a group and experience transformation through genuine relationships with other believers. Visit the Next Steps table for more information!

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 2 -
7P - 9P - NIGHT FOUR OF
OUR WINTER SESSION OF
GROWTH PHASES**

Join us for the fourth night of our winter session of Growth Phases. We can't wait to see all the Lord will do in and through your life this session!

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19 - 9A & 11A
BAPTISM SUNDAY**

We will have Water Baptisms this Sunday! If you are interested in getting water baptized, please connect with our Next Steps team in the lobby!

DID YOU KNOW YOU CAN GIVE VIA TEXT?

Just text any dollar amount to 84321 to give. You will follow a quick, self-guided setup process to tie your mobile phone to our church, your donor account, and a payment source. After that, donating is as easy as sending a text!

**BE ON THE LOOKOUT FOR MORE OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE
OUR COMMUNITY IN THE UPCOMING WEEKS!**