THE NEXT STEP

HOW TO SPEND TIME WITH GOD

Exodus 34:29-35 Jeff Schreve

How can you have a meaningful quiet time with God?

1. Make it the priority.

"But seek first His kingdom and His righteousness; and all these things shall be added to you." Matthew 6:33

• It is a great privilege to meet with God. My God in His lovingkindness will meet me. Psalm 59:10

Then my enemies will turn back in the day when I call; This I know, that God is for me. Psalm 56:9

Now Moses used to take the tent and pitch it outside the camp, a good distance from the camp, and he called it the tent of meeting. And it came about, that everyone who sought the LORD would go out to the tent of meeting which was outside the camp. Exodus 33:7

2. Understand the <u>purpose</u>.

"Now therefore, I pray You, if I have found favor in Your sight, let me know Your ways that I may know You" Exodus 33:13

- A. We meet with God to <u>get to know Him better</u>. More than that, I count all things to be loss in view of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord ... that I may know Him, and the power of His resurrection and the fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to His death. Philippians 3:8-10
- B. We meet with God to grow in love.

3. Bring the <u>particulars</u>.

A. We meet with God to <u>talk to Him</u>. If I regard wickedness in my heart, The Lord will not hear. Psalm 66:18 B. We meet with God to <u>hear from Him</u>. Let the word of Christ richly dwell within you Colossians 3:16

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4. Display the proof.

Now as they observed the confidence of Peter and John, and understood that they were uneducated and untrained men, they were marveling, and began to recognize them as having been with Jesus. Acts 4:13

"He who has My commandments and keeps them, he it is who loves Me; and he who loves Me shall be loved by My Father, and I will love him, and will disclose Myself to him." John 14:21

• A meaningful quiet time <u>makes you more like Jesus</u>. And we all, with unveiled face, beholding the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another. For this comes from the Lord who is the Spirit. 2 Corinthians 3:18 ESV

Will you begin a meaningful quiet time?