

2 Corinthians 10:4

“For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty in God, for pulling down strongholds”

Pray that polarization in our nation would cease and that unity would prevail.

Pray that the church will rise in love and in the ministry of reconciliation we have been given, and lead the way in healing our communities.

Pray against injustice and that God would give us wisdom and strategy to do our part to see injustice cease and to right the wrongs being done in our nation.

In the midst of tragedies' complexity and confusion, pray that people would find healing and hope in Jesus, the Prince of Peace.

The Voice

Matthew 22:37-39

‘You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, and all your mind.’ This is the first and greatest commandment. A second is equally important: ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’

What does it look like for us to “Love the Lord with all your heart, all your soul and all your mind”?

Heart – affections

Soul – life power

Mind – Intellectual power

Is He really worth that to us?

When I think of what I would be outside of who He has made me to be

When I think of all that He has brought me from and delivered me of

When I think of His Amazing Grace

We tend to distort the image of God into a twisted book keeper

It is by His grace that we are saved

The Lover of our soul has been chasing us

He is worthy!

So we worship!  
Heart, Soul and Mind

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Our spirituality (What we think spiritually) often starts with self, not God

Personal responsibility has replaced personal response

We put this emphasis on what we do rather than on what God is doing

We can't imagine Grace abounding even more because our focus is on what we have done instead of what He has done and is still doing

We tend to focus on our old label instead of our new name

'Love your neighbor as yourself'?

I DON'T LOVE MYSELF!

You haven't heard who God says you are?

His voice

One of the most frequent questions that I have been asked is...

"How can I hear God?"

A.W. Tozer teaches about our flawed thinking when it comes to God speaking

I believe that much of our religious unbelief is due to a wrong conception of and a wrong feeling for the Scriptures of Truth. A silent God suddenly began to speak in a book and when the book was finished lapsed back into silence again forever. Now we read the book as the record of what God said when He was for a brief time in a speaking mood. With notions like that in our heads how can we believe? The facts are that God is not silent, has never been silent. It is the nature of God to speak. The second Person of the Holy Trinity is called the Word. The Bible is the inevitable outcome of God's continuous speech. It is the infallible declaration of His mind for us put into our familiar human words. I think a new world will arise out of the religious mists

when we approach our Bible with the idea that it is not only a book which was once spoken, but a book which is now speaking.

15 times Jesus says  
“He who has ears to hear, let him hear”

It is not because He is not speaking...

He wants a close relationship with Him where we instantly recognize His voice

God wants us to live by His voice!

If you are a Christian one of the main differences in you and a non-believer is that you have a personal relationship with God

You have a deep connection with God

Ephesians 5

For wives, this means submit to your husbands as to the Lord. For a husband is the head of his wife as Christ is the head of the church. He is the Savior of his body, the church. As the church submits to Christ, so you wives should submit to your husbands in everything.

Hearing God's voice is a simple issue of how you answer

“Who are you most?”

It is not about something that we “do” to hear His voice, it is about something that we “are”

We hear God because of who we are and whose we are

John 10:1-5

“I tell you the truth, anyone who sneaks over the wall of a sheepfold, rather than going through the gate, must surely be a thief and a robber! But the one who enters through the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep recognize his voice and come to him. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. After he has gathered his own flock, he walks ahead of them, and they follow him because they know his voice. They won't follow a stranger; they will run from him because they don't know his voice.”

The Voice is the key to life in Him

It is His voice that makes the difference