

READING

We believe that regular Bible reading is the most important step we can take to grow spiritually. If you need a tool to help you be consistent, check out the options at the Resource table in the foyer.

PRAYING

This information is intended to help you pray for specific needs in our congregation and the world. Updates to prayer requests for individuals will be added as information is provided.

Prayers from John Piper:

Lord, make me so mighty against the powers of self-justification that I never lose the humility to repent and weep for my sin. (James 4:9; 5:16).

Lord, make me so mighty in resisting the bait of frenzied productivity that I never cease to enjoy the still waters of prayer and your sweet presence. (Psalm 23:2; Isaiah 46:10; Luke 10:42).

For Our Mission

Pray for increasing spiritual health in our community. This is only enabled by the gifts of God through Christ.

Zech 4:6 - "So he said to me, 'This is the word of the LORD to Zerubbabel: 'Not by might nor by power, but by my Spirit,' says the LORD Almighty.'"

For Our World

- Pray that our support for missionaries expands as our hearts are enlarged with the love of God and care for the lost.
- Pray for insight into the local opportunities we encounter as we go about our routines.

For Our Congregation

- **Ed Allen** passed away on Wednesday. The funeral will be here, on Tuesday, at 1pm with a visitation before from 12 - 1pm;
- **Ian Houghton** sees his surgeon on May 14 and has been given a tentative surgery date of June 13 (depending on the outcome of his tests). Please pray that everything falls into place, that he manages his current pain, and for his surgeon;
- **Ron Harris** continues to recover in hospital after a 13-hour successful surgery to remove the abnormal blood vessels;
- **Paul Lewington** continues to heal - and is back at work, with pain - after breaking 3 ribs;
- **Shari**, Ian Houghton's sister-in-law, is on a waiting list for kidney transplant

WORSHIP GUIDE

Summerside Community Church

April 29, 2018

Speaker: Pastor Mark Cuthbert



HEARING:

When My Faith Is Tested

Exodus 17 (pg. 73)

- 📖 Deuteronomy 8:2 - Remember how the Lord your God led you all the way in the wilderness these forty years, **to humble and test you in order to know what was in your heart**, whether or not you would keep his commands. ^(NIV)
- 📖 Deuteronomy 8:16 - He gave you manna to eat in the wilderness, something your ancestors had never known, **to humble and test you so that in the end it might go well with you.** ^(NIV)

📖 1 Corinthians 10:3-4 -

📖 Ephesians 1:3 -

1. Will I trust God to _____? (17:1-7)

📖 Daniel 3:16-18 -

2. Will I trust God to _____ ? (17:8-16)

♦ "The Lord is my Banner"

📖 Isaiah 11:10 -

📖 John 3:14-15 -

📖 James 1:2-4 -

📖 1 Peter 1:6-7 -

DEEPENING

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APPLYING

It's one thing to hear God's Word, it's another to apply it! Answering the questions on your own before your group meets will help you be fully engaged in the discussion.

Community Group Questions

1. What was your favourite part of school? What was your attitude towards tests? How did you usually do on them?
2. Test show up throughout the Bible. Try to remember some of them and what resulted from them. (If you need help think about some of the key people: Abraham; Joseph; David; Daniel; Jesus; Paul.)
3. Read the following verses and talk about how the key concepts that stand out for you in relation to testing.

📖 James 1:2-4

📖 1 Peter 1:6-7
4. If we just trust and obey God will we always get the results we want? Why? What are some truths that can help us keep a proper perspective on our expectations?
5. When we are disappointed that God doesn't come through like we expected, what does that reveal about our faith?
6. What do you think is the biggest test of faith you have experienced or you might have to experience one day?

REMEMBERING

Memorizing is one of the best ways of making truth stick. You can memorize something if you repeat it enough times. Try reading the verse 5 times a day until it sticks! Choose a part of it for your kids if needed.

"They all ate the same spiritual food and drank the same spiritual drink;
for they drank from the spiritual rock that accompanied them,
and that rock was Christ."
1 Corinthians 10:3-4 ^(NIV)