

“God’s Truth”

2 Peter 1:5 LB...For as you know Him better, He will give you, through His great power, everything you need for **living** a truly good life: He even shares His own glory and His own goodness with us!

REVIEW **Applying God’s Truth to our Life.** Points were:

- Examine Your Lifestyle
- Seek God’s Kingdom First
- Live By Faith – Not Fear
- Faith Comes from Hearing God’s Word

5. Let God Refresh Your Soul.

Matthew 11:28-29 in the MSG version says: **Are you tired? Worn out? Burned out on religion? Come to me. Get away with me and you’ll recover your life. I’ll show you how to take a real rest. Walk with me and work with me—watch how I do it. Learn the unforced rhythms of grace. I won’t lay anything heavy or ill-fitting on you.**

I think the reason God wants us to wait upon Him is because it is impossible to wait in a hurry. Most of us aren’t very good at waiting. Last week we read Matthew 6:6 MSG.

Two important verses:

And we know that God causes all things to work together for good for those who love God, for those who are called according to His plan and purpose.

Rom. 8:28

You have six days which to do your work, but the seventh day is a day of rest dedicated to me. **Exodus 20:9**

6. Avoid Burn Out.

Don’t burn out; keep yourselves fueled and aflame. MSG Romans 12:11

I have used up my strength but accomplished nothing. Isaiah 49:4

Job 9:25 says: **My days go by faster than a runner; they fly away without my seeing any joy.**

Careful planning puts you ahead in the long run; jury and scurry puts you further behind. Proverbs 21:5

Proverbs 22:3 says: **A prudent person perceives the difficulties ahead and prepares for them; the simpleton goes blindly on and suffers the consequences**

7. Boundless Strength, and Endless Energy.

Anybody with me waiting in line for that?

We must accept the Word to guide us through the process.

Ephesians 1:19-20, Oh, the utter extravagance of His work in us who trust Him—endless energy, boundless strength! All this energy issues from Christ. **MSG**

Isaiah 40:31, God energizes those who get tired, gives fresh strength to dropouts...Those who wait upon God get fresh strength. They spread their wings and soar like eagles, they run and don’t get tired, they walk and don’t lag behind. **MSG**

1Timothy 4:7 Spend your time and energy in the exercise of keeping spiritually fit. LB

8. For we are God’s Handiwork

Let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you think.

Romans 12:2

For we are God’s handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do. **Ephesians 2:10**

But the Holy Spirit produces this kind of fruit in our lives: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. Galatians 5:22-23

For everything - absolutely everything - above and below, visible and invisible, everything got started in Him and finds its purpose in Him.

Colossians 1:16

Matthew 5:16 The key scripture for these two messages:

Let your light so shine before men, that they see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven. Matthew 5:16

Live in such a way that you are a credit to the Message of Christ.

Philippians 1:27