

new Life

Step:

a short movement made by raising
one foot and lowering it ahead of
the other foot

Step:

a stage in a progression toward
some goal or target

In 2018 we have taken
51 steps together

Psalm 84

Vs 4

Blessed are those who dwell in your house; they are ever praising you.

Live in God's house with a heart of praise

Vs 5

Blessed are those whose strength is
in you, who have set their hearts on
pilgrimage.

Find strength to continue our
faith journey

Vs 6

As they pass through the Valley of Baca, they make it a place of springs; the autumn rains also cover it with pools.

Make a godly difference in all situations

Vs 7

They go from strength to strength,
till each appears before God in
Zion.

Grow stronger until God takes
us home

Step #4

January 28

Enter, Enter, Enter

Luke 19:1-6

Vs 1-4

Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through. A man was there by the name of Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector and was wealthy. He wanted to see who Jesus was, but being a short man he could not, because of the crowd. So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore-fig tree to see him, since Jesus was coming that way.

Vs 5-6

When Jesus reached the spot, He looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, come down immediately. I must stay at your house today." So he came down at once and welcomed him gladly.

- Jesus will enter your world
- Jesus will enter your space
- Jesus wants to enter your life

Step #7
February 08
Never Stop

Acts 5:42

Day after day, in the temple courts and from house to house, they never stopped teaching and proclaiming the good news that Jesus is the Christ.

Step #9
March 4
Giving

2 Corinthians 1-13

- There is more potential in giving than we realize
- Give more than is necessary or expected
- Giving is heart driven not wallet driven
- Giving enables us to trust God rather than money
- Giving will increase your ability to give

➤ Giving grows the harvest

➤ Giving sends the message of Jesus to those in need

➤ Giving makes provision for the needs of the body

➤ Giving gives evidence of a living relationship with Jesus

Step #11
March 18
Selfishness Kills

James 3:16

For where you have envy and selfish ambition, there you find disorder and every evil practice.

- ✓ Selfishness will grow disorder, chaos, confusion, turmoil
- ✓ Selfishness has to defeat harmony so it can live
- ✓ Selfishness will produce a whole host of other evil practices (*Lie, steal, cheat*)
- ✓ The effects of selfishness on the family, the church, the community are crushing

Step #14
April 8
I need Help

Ecclesiastes 4:9-12

Two are better than one, because they have a good return for their work: If one falls down, his friend can help him up. But pity the man who falls and has no one to help him up!

Step #20

May 20

The Harvest is Hard

Psalm 107

Because God is using His people to reach people

- Those who are wandering
- Those with no direction
- Those without purpose
- Those that are lost
- Those who are hungry and thirsty
- Those who are spiritually starving
- Those whose lives are ebbing away
- Those who are in darkness and misery
- Those who are experiencing destruction
- Those who are trapped in shadow of death
- Those who are prisoners

- Those who are rebelling against the words of God
- Those who are imprisoned by their choices
- Those who have made their bed and are laying in it
- Those that are up to their ears in junk
- Those who despise wisdom
- Those who laugh at the truth
- Those who are cantankerous, grouchy, and difficult
- Those who are working hard
- Those who making in the world
- Those facing sever hardships for the first time
- Those that are at their wits end and are losing the battle

Step #28

July 15, 2018

Keep your mess in the middle

Life is like a sandwich

The Bread

Psalm 62

Vs 1-2

My soul finds rest in God alone; my salvation comes from Him. He alone is my rock and my salvation; He is my fortress I will never be shaken.

The Mess

Vs 3

How long will you assault a man?
Would all of you throw him down-- this
leaning wall, this tottering fence?

1. What is your mess?
2. What is attacking you, beating you up, battering you, and killing you?
3. What is telling you that you are a structure that has lost its strength?

The Bread

Vs 5-6

Find rest, O my soul, in God alone; my hope comes from Him. He alone is my rock and my salvation; he is my fortress, I will not be shaken.

Step # 34

August 26

Toughest Assignment

Luke 10:27-28

He answered: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind"; and, 'Love your neighbor as yourself.'" "You have answered correctly," Jesus replied. "Do this and you will live."

Heart - affections, desires, passions

Is my relationship with Jesus my most
valuable possession?

Do you want it to be?

Are you willing to go wherever it
takes you?

Soul – the breath of life, life

Does my soul thirst for the living God

Do you want it to?

Are you willing to go wherever it takes
you?

Strength - power, ability, resources

Is my use of my strength and
resources honoring Jesus?

Do you want it to be?

Are you willing to go wherever it
takes you?

Mind - thinking, thought life,
intellect

Is my thinking and intellect honoring
Jesus?

Do you want it to be?

Are you willing to go wherever it
takes you?

Step #45

November 11

Exodus 13:17ff

First thing first

➤ God loves and cares for people no matter where they are in life

➤ God's will is to set free

➤ God will build your trust in Him before He trains your hands for battle

➤ God leads down the best path

➤ God will put you with others that are on the journey

➤ Hang on to at least one promise of God

➤ God is very creative in His leading

➤ God will never stop leading

2019 Theme

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