

GREAT BEGINNINGS

NEW MEMBERS ORIENTATION ONLINE CLASS 2019

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF SOUTH RICHMOND DR. DWIGHT C. JONES, SENIOR PASTOR DR. DERIK E. JONES, PASTOR

WEEK #4
WORSHIP/QUIET TIME



Welcome to the fellowship of First Baptist Church of South Richmond!

Here you will be able to complete four of your online classes online. Two of your classes, Stewardship and Ministry, are required to be taken in class on the scheduled session date. Classes are held at Iron Bridge: 8:30AM Sundays, or 7:00PM Tuesdays and Hull Street, 9:30AM Sundays. Please refer to the online schedule for dates for onsite sessions. Contact Rev. Pat Austin for assistance, christianed@fbctoday.org or at the church office.



CLASS SCHEDULE

Week 1 – Salvation and Discipleship

Week 2 – Evangelism and Fellowship

Week 3 – Service and Ministry

Week 4 - Worship and Quiet Time

Week 5 – Stewardship (on site)

Week 6 - Spiritual Gifts (on site)

On Site: Sundays, 8:30AM Ironbridge and 9:30AM Hull Street
Tuesdays, 7PM Iron Bridge

**NOTE: No Classes are held on the 5th Sunday or the Tuesday Following the 5th Sunday

LESSON GOAL

Students will effectively enhance their personal worship experience with God and learn the importance of spending quiet Him in His presence.

FOCUS SCRIPTURE

Psalm 150; Romans 12:1; Hebrews 13:15

- Always begin your study with prayer
- Invite the Holy Spirit to lead you into all truth

WHAT WILL YOU LEARN **FROM THIS** STUDY?

Key Points:

- Definition of worship
- Importance of worship
- Why we need to spend quiet time with God

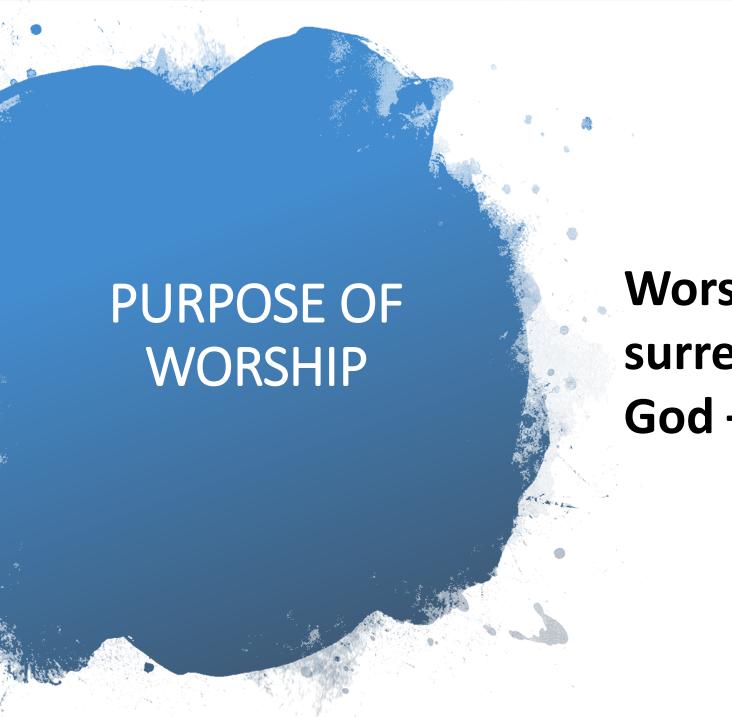


INTRODUCTION

Do you know the difference between worship and attending church?

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The importance of worship is huge. Worship Matters. Worship matters to God. Worship matters to you.



Worship Involves surrendering yourself to God – Read Romans 12:1

Worship puts your focus on God. True worship is based on the desire to honor God. It requires a personal revelation of God as found in the Scriptures.



Worship is not based on your likes or dislikes. It is not based on your personal preferences or priorities. It is a focus on God.

Worship Involves 'Getting Out of the Way.' You need to learn to remove your worries, your opinion, your questions and yourselves so you can worship with appropriate honor.

Worship Involves Personal Sacrifice. Praise can be easier when times are good -- or you have had the big victory.

Worship requires a sacrifice of your own feelings and fears so you can give Him the focus He deserves. Heb. 13:15



Worship Is Celebrating
Who God Is and What He
Has Done. Read Ps. 100:1-5



Make worship a lifestyle. It's the gathering of believers to practice your beliefs and celebration of Him.



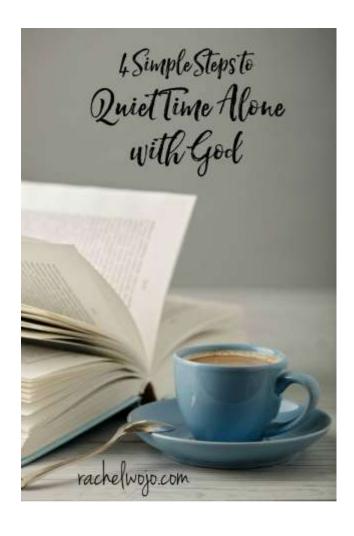
Quiet Time - What's the Big Deal? Why Is It Important? Quiet time can be so difficult to prioritize. It's tempting to make excuses or just not bother. Preparing your heart to hear from God requires a focused effort.



Noise, whether outside or inside, is a distraction. If you fail to understand the importance of having a regular, committed quiet time with God, you are not likely to hear His voice...the one that whispers, "This is the way; walk in it" (read Isaiah 30:21).

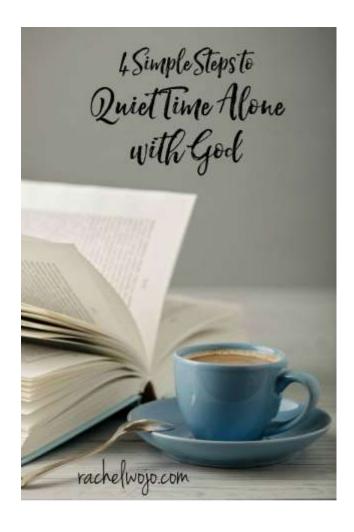


God longs to spend time with you. Consider what He was willing to do for you, in order to reunite you with Him. Is it asking too much that you devote daily time to Him? Jesus set the example concerning quiet time. He took time to connect with the Father regularly. Read Matt. 26:36; Mk. 1:35; Lk. 5:16.



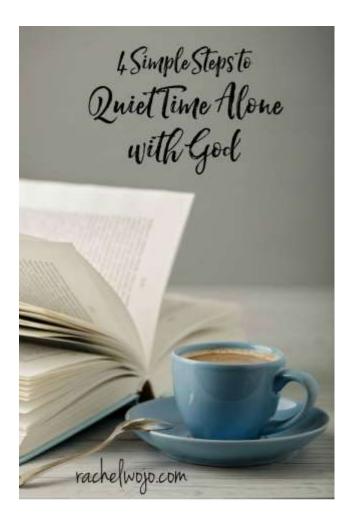
Be Still and Listen:

Quiet time could refer to those precious moments after the kids are in bed, but for Christians, a quiet time is more than that. Quiet time, or devotion time, refers to our daily appointment with God, when we shut out as much outside interference as possible.

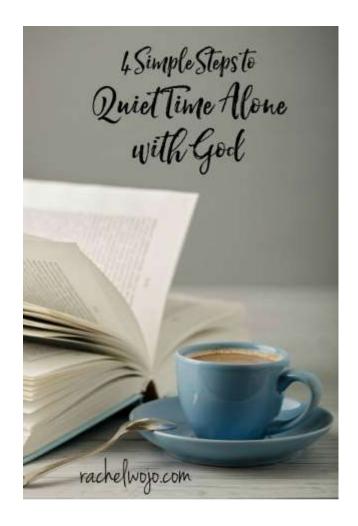


Be Still and Listen:

During your quiet time, sing praise songs, pray, read Scripture or daily devotions, meditate on God's Word, or simply be still and listen. Making that appointment is one thing; keeping it is something else entirely!



Meet The Noise Challenge:
Quiet time is a goal that sounds simple, but which meets with greater challenges than many physical endurance contests. In America particularly, we live in a world of noise.

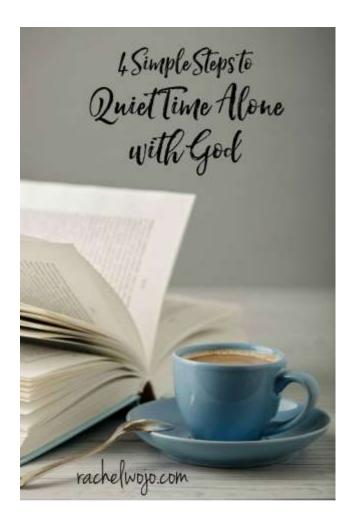


Meet The Noise Challenge: Everywhere you go, even in your own home, there is some kind of noise to distract you --from telephones to TV to traffic. But making the time for daily devotion is critical to hearing God!



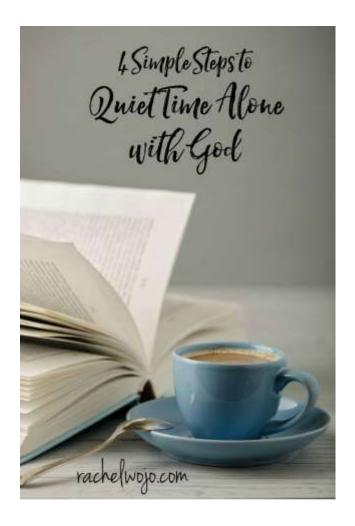
Meet The Inner Challenge:

Quiet time involves an inner state of being, as well as an outward condition. Have you ever noticed that when you sit down to read your Bible or pray, your mind begins to wander -or you suddenly remember what you needed at the grocery store? Inner "noise" can be just as troublesome as outer noise when it comes to having quiet time with God.

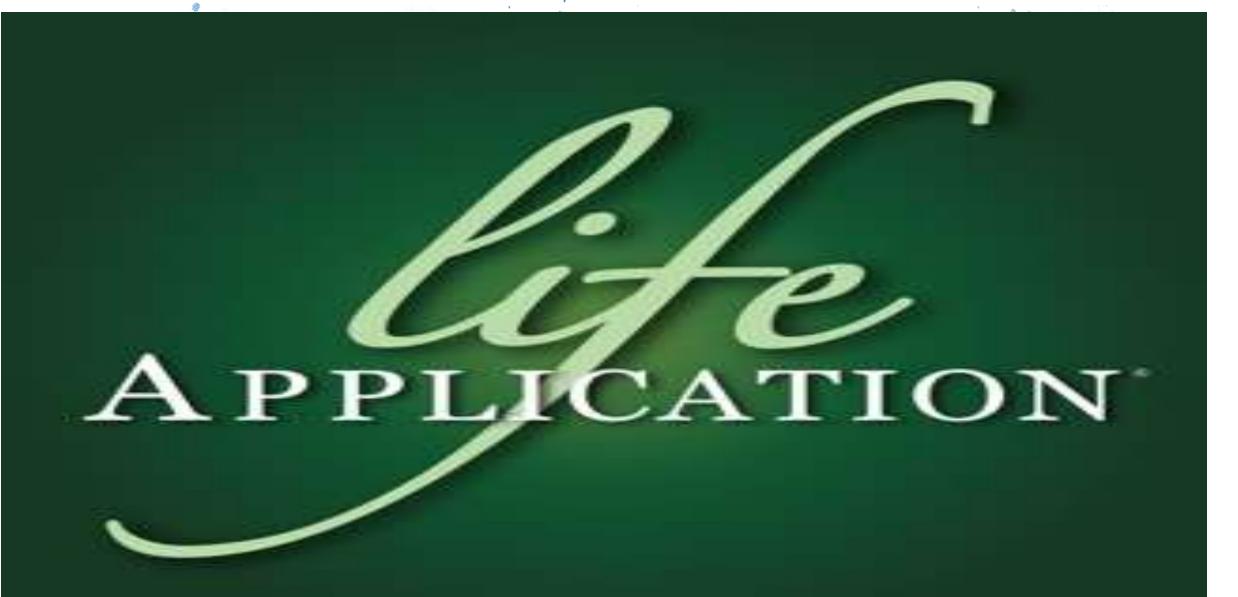


Schedule Time With God:

You may already have a grip on the Bible, the owner's manual of life, but without a daily filling you're in danger of burning out, running on empty, stalling on the side of the road. Yes, you can always put in a call to God's "auto club," but why not be prepared before the emergency occurs? King David sought God daily before he went into battle. Read Psalm 5.



Do you desire to hear from God? Are you passionate about wanting His will in your life, above your own? Daily quiet time prepares your heart to listen. You may "hear" Him speak to you in those quiet moments...or you may hear Him through a friend or circumstance later in the day. But because you've made time with Him a priority and have been willing to shut out the world to hear Him, He will make sure you do.

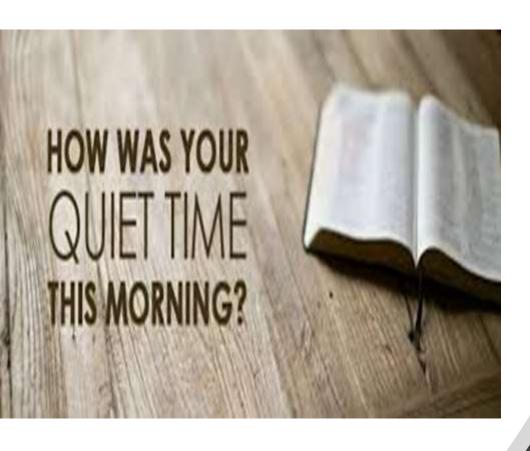


SPENDING QUIET TIME WITH GOD





LIFE APPLICATION



Take a moment now to be still in God's presence and worship Him just for being God. Thank Him for the blessings of this day.

REFLECTION

Is my worship real?

CONGRATULATIONS!

You have completed your online Worship/Quiet Time Orientation Class! Take the survey and email your answers to Rev. Pat Austin, Director of Christian Education, or you may leave a printed copy at the Hull Street Office Receptionist Desk. Following review, you will receive a certificate of completion. Remember to include your contact information on your survey.

If you need further discussion of this study, or have questions, please contact Rev. Austin.

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