

Connection

What is something you enjoy about the cold weather?

Content

January is often about getting things in order, setting priorities. Last week we talked about the importance of having a God-first perspective. This Sunday we look at what it means to be on a journey of faith and what the goal should be.

The goal of the journey of faith is: "I will be your God, you will be my people."

1. What does that goal mean to you?

Trust

2. Read Isaiah 26:3. What are things you trust God with?

What things are you not trusting God with that you know you could be?

3. Read Isaiah 26:8 and Psalm 28:7. How does someone show their trust in God? Think of a time you witnessed this in someone.

Generosity

4. Matthew 22:36-40 tells us The greatest commandment is to love the Lord your God with all your heart and all your soul and with all your mind, and to love your neighbor as yourself. How can it be hard to measure love; and how does generosity fit into the picture?

On a scale of 1-10, how are you doing at trusting God with your money to:

...meet your needs?

...use a portion for God and others?

5. Read John 3:16 and Galatians 6:2. When have you experienced generosity that was so overwhelming it felt like a gift from God?

Gratitude

6. Read 2 Chronicles 29:31 and Psalm 50:14. Giving thanks is showing gratitude in the form of a offering given to God freely and simply done to show appreciation without expecting anything in return. Why is understanding that there are “ no strings attached” important?

Commitment

7. Read 1 Chronicles 29:12-14. “Everything comes from you, and we have given you only what comes from your hand.”

How can you give thanks to God this week and practice giving to God what He has already given to you?