

Prelude

Lighting the Candles

Special Music

Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of the Father Almighty. From thence he shall come again to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and of life everlasting.

Amen.

Jesus' Habit Forming Way of Prayer

The Lord be in you!

And also in you, in us, and in all of humanity.

Let us Pray!

Our Father in heaven. Holy is your name. Your Kingdom come. Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Wait, what does Jesus say about God's will for our lives on earth?

Jesus says, "Blessed are the Meek, for they shall inherit the earth."

Let us pray the way of the Meek.

Give us this day our daily bread.

Wait, what does this have to do with being Meek?

Jesus says, "Man does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God."

We believe Jesus is God with us. What words of life come from his mouth?

Let us listen with Meekness!

Forgive us our temptations as we forgive those who tempt us.

Wait, what does forgiveness have to do with being meek?

Jesus says, "Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted." Forgiveness is food for our mourning hearts and the troubled minds. Let us do this in remembrance of Jesus' Way.

He Leads us not into Temptation, but delivers us from evil. His is the power of mercy, grace, and love forever.

Wait, where does this way lead us?

Jesus says, "Blessed are the poor in spirit for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven.

Where Jesus leads we will follow. Lord gives us ears to hear our temptations as Your invitation to live life in remembrance of Christ our Lord.

Scripture Lesson: Matthew 4:1-11

Then Jesus was led by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. ² After fasting forty days and forty nights, he was hungry. ³ The tempter came to him and said, "If you are the Son of God, tell these stones to become bread."

⁴ Jesus answered, "It is written: 'Man shall not live on bread alone, but on every word that come from the mouth of God.'"

⁵ Then the devil took him to the holy city and had him stand on the highest point of the temple. ⁶ "If you are the Son of God," he said, throw yourself down. For it is written: 'He will command his angels concerning you, and they will lift you up in their hands, so that you will not strike your foot against a stone.'"

⁷ Jesus answered him, "It is also written: 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'"

⁸ Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor. ⁹ "All this I will give you," he said, "if you will bow down and worship me."

¹⁰ Jesus said to him, "Away from me, Satan! For it is written: 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.'"

¹¹ Then the devil left him, and the angels came and attended him.

Message: Invitation to Form Jesus-Habits

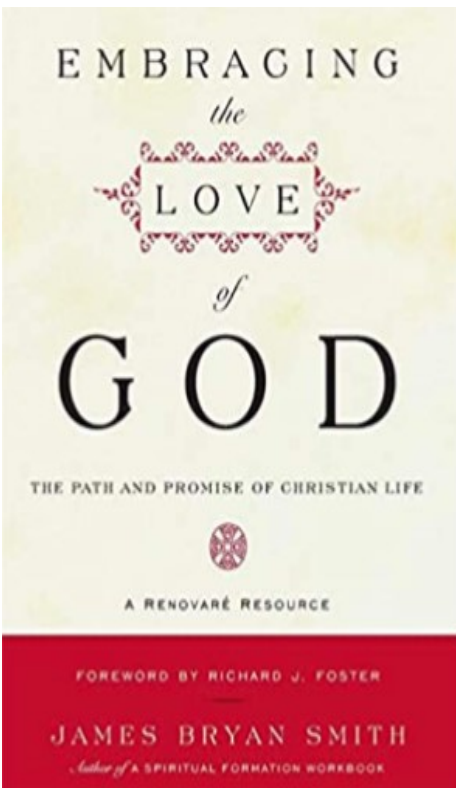
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Tithes and Offerings

Postlude

Announcements

Embracing the Love of God by James Bryan Smith



In today's world, many people fail to experience the powerful freedom and healing of God's grace. Even Christians too often experience judgment rather than the love that is the vital essence of Christian life. This visionary guide calls believers back to the basics: understanding the promise of God's love to transform our most important relationships and fulfill our deepest spiritual needs. The moving insights found within illuminate the gentle nature of God's love and teach readers how to continue on the path of love by embracing it day by day.

Begins Monday January 18th at 6 pm. Class meets at the Parsonage. Please see Robert for more information.

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