

Sermon Notes

November 26, 2017 -- 1 John 1:1-7

Experiencing God: It's All Koinonia To Me

Today is the last _____ of the Christian Calendar _____.

- Koinonia is the _____ friends share.
- John invites us to have is a deep and intimate _____ with each other as well with _____.

Two Issues for believers out of fellowship:

1. how can we _____ against the onslaught of a cultural shift which is trying to _____ the Christ out of Christmas?
2. who's to say what I _____ about Jesus is right or wrong if I'm _____ to be a part of a collective whole seeking Jesus _____.

The Challenge:

1. Develop one or more _____ practices you can incorporate into your lives each _____. Help you be more _____ in your fellowship with _____.
2. _____ someone to join you in walking through the _____ with you.
3. Find an _____ partner to help you be _____ in the _____ of God.

Which challenge is God impressing on you this morning?

[Sermon Note Answers: Sunday, year, intimate, fellowship, God, stand, remove, believe, unwilling, together, spiritual, day, intentional, God, Invite, Christmas, season, accountability, intentional, pursuit]

Devotions

God speaks to us today by the Holy Spirit. Jesus said about the Holy Spirit,

“But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will *teach* you all things and will *remind* you of everything I have said to you.”

This week, begin your quiet time with God by having your Bible and some paper/notebook in which to write some observations from God on. Use the following instructions for your time with God:

1. Ask God to first quiet your heart and mind so that you are available to God.
2. Ask God to speak to your heart as you read the scripture for the day.
 - a. Write down the most meaningful part of the scripture you read today.
 - b. In one or two sentences, write down the impression you received as you read this particular part of the scripture.
 - c. Finally write down what you feel God wants you to learn or do as a result of what impressed you.

Scriptures to Read:

- **MONDAY– John 17:6-19**
- **TUESDAY – John 17:20-26**
- **WEDNESDAY – 1 John 3:1-10**
- **THURSDAY – 1 John 4:7-21**
- **FRIDAY – Luke 9:18-27**
- **SATURDAY – John 15:1-8**