**The Joy Of A Devotional Life**

**Verses Used And Referenced:**

* John 15
* Luke 5:16
* Psalm 1:1-3
* Mark 1:35
* Matthew 4:4

**Main Ideas And Definitions:**

* Devotional Life - intentional time with God. A life devoted to Jesus.
* You become like what you behold
* You always make time for what you love
* Input = output
* Discipline leads to desire which leads to delight.
* We are in the presence of Jesus.

**Discussion Questions:**

1. What is a devotional life? What is the value of having a devotional life?
2. What is your definition of a friend? Given your definition, would you consider Jesus a friend?
3. How does/would spending daily time with Jesus affect your life?
4. What do you want to do now to start (or grow in) your devotional life?

**Practical Steps To Do Together:**

* As a small group come up with ideas to do together to build up each other devotional lives and commit to doing it.
	+ Examples: reading a book of the bible together, committing to X amount of time to pray a day, praying/worshiping together in person or over zoom weekly/daily, memorizing scripture.

**Further Reading/Study:**

* Abide With Me - Sermon <https://influencemagazine.com/practice/abide-with-me>
* Growing Deep - Sermon <https://vimeo.com/227925083>
* The Live Dead Journal [https://www.amazon.com/Live-Dead-Journal-Unreached-Challenge/dp/1680671685/ref=sr\_1\_1?dchild=1&keywords=the+live+dead+journal&qid=1605976783&sr=8-1](https://www.amazon.com/Live-Dead-Journal-Unreached-Challenge/dp/1680671685/ref%3Dsr_1_1?dchild=1&keywords=the+live+dead+journal&qid=1605976783&sr=8-1)