



What do you devote your time, energy & resources to?

What are you enthusiastic about? What's your _____

Your passion determines your _____ & _____

Devotion reflects _____ & reveals _____

Satan tempted Jesus to shift the focus of his devotion away from _____ to _____ & _____

If _____ comes across as a greater passion in your life than God, then you need to realign your heart.

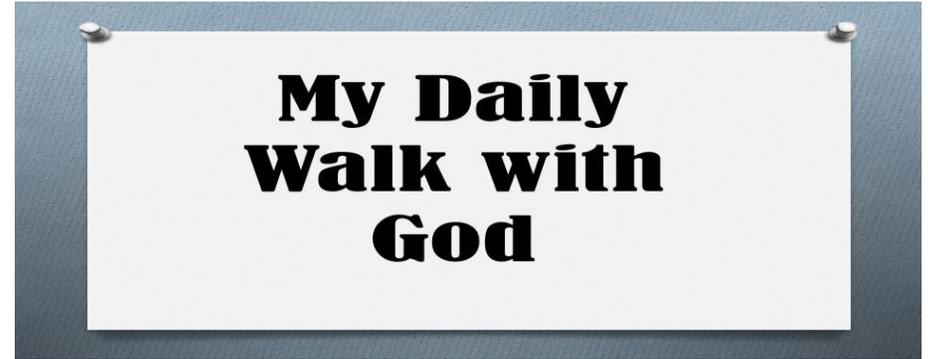
We don't need to increase our _____

We need to truly increase our _____!

Devotion focuses on God's _____ not _____

God is always _____ Often we aren't _____

Get Your Devotion in Motion!



It only takes about _____ to lose a healthy fear of God

*I lift my eyes to the hills-where does my help come from?
My help comes from the **LORD** the maker of heaven & earth.*

Psalm 121 (A Song of Ascents)

Do not turn to idols or make metal gods for yourselves.

*I am the **LORD** your God.*

Leviticus 19:4

Surely the idolatrous commotion on the hills and mountains is a deception;

*surely the **LORD** our God is the salvation of Israel.*

Jeremiah 3:23

S.O.N. Bible Study Method

S. _____

O. _____

N. _____

Take an honest inventory of your prayer life. Put an X on the line below to indicate where the focus of your prayers tend to be (what you spend more time praying about)

My Needs/ Desires

God's Will/Desire

HOW EXCITED ARE YOU TO SPEND TIME WITH GOD?

***“God loves you unconditionally, Beloved.
The question is: Do you love Him unconditionally?”***
Kay Arthur (1994)

“The shortening of private devotions starves the soul.”
William Wilberforce

*“You’re blessed when you’ve worked up a good appetite for
God. He is food and drink in the best meal you’ll ever eat.”*
Matthew 5:6 (MSG)

*“When our deepest desire is not the things of God, or a favor
from God, but God Himself, we cross a threshold.”*
Max Lucado (2004)

“The spirit of devotion puts God in all things.”
E. M. Bounds (19th century)

*“Eternal Father of my soul, let my first thought today be of You,
let my first impulse be to worship You, let my first speech be
Your name, let my first action be to kneel before You in prayer.”*
John Baillie (1949)

*“Come close to God and God will come close to you. Purify your
hearts, for your loyalty is divided between God and the world.”*
James 4:8 (NLT)

*“We cannot expect a tailor to make us a coat if we do not give
him any cloth, nor a builder to build us a house if we let him
have no building materials; and in just the same way we cannot
expect the Lord to live out His life in us
if we do not give Him our lives in which to live.”*
Watchman Nee (20th century)

*“Let all our employment be to know God:
the more one knows Him, the more one desires to know Him.”*
Brother Lawrence (17th century)

Foothills Methodist Church
making disciples of Jesus Christ



**From where you are
to where God wants you to be**

“Devotion to God”

Doing more of what makes you ~~happy~~ Holy

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