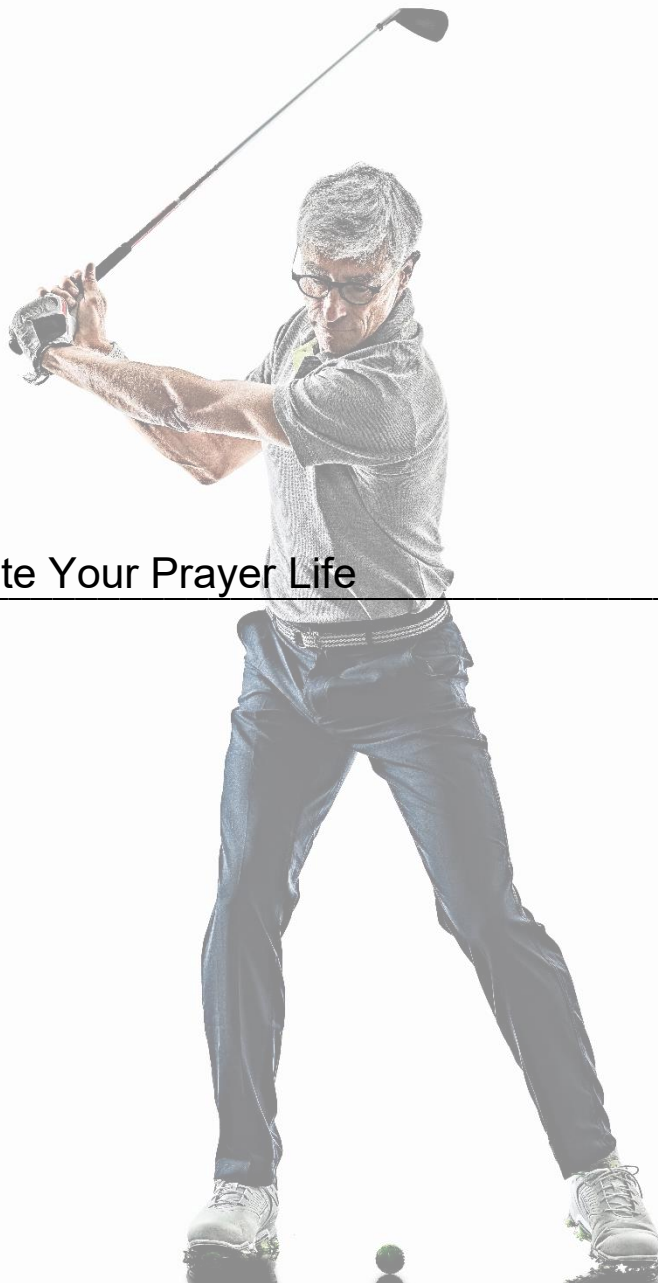


“In the Weeds?”

“ How to Avoid Complicated Christianity ”

1. Keep It All Things Jesus vv. 7-11



2. Cultivate Your Prayer Life vv. 12-13

Grow Group Discussion Questions

A grow group is 8-16 people who get together weekly to study God's word and the previous Sunday's message. There is a time of discussion, support, encouragement, and learning how the message applies to daily life. **PCC uses the ESV (English Standard Version).**

HOW DO I JOIN A GROUP?

To learn more or join a group, visit pacificcoastchurch.org/gg/ or sign up at the patio Info Kiosk.

Point #1

- Read John 14:7-11. Why was Philip struggling with Jesus leaving? Why did he request to see the Father?
- In what way did Jesus try to comfort him? What was Jesus trying to prevent? How does this relate to Point #1?
- What are some ways you've seen Christians overcomplicate Christianity? How does Point #1 help or adjust you?

Point #2

- Read John 14:12-13. Explain "greater works" and "in my name". Why would this have comforted the Disciples?
- In what way was Jesus also keeping things simple for the Disciples after He leaves? How does this apply to Point #2?
- Why is this important? How would you rate your prayer life? What steps will you take to step into Point #2 this week?

Daily Devotions

These are provided for mid-week personal spiritual growth. Prayerfully writing out your answers will help you experience real life transformation as you dig deeper into the spiritual truths of God's word and today's message.

A downloadable PDF of this document is also available each week at pacificcoastchurch.org/sermons.

MONDAY // Read John 14:7-8, Exodus 24:9-11, 33:18-20, Isaiah 6:1-5

- In what way was Jesus comforting the disciples in John 14:7? Why was Philip struggling with this truth?
- How would his Jewish background have complicated the issue? What was Philip's solution? Why?
- How does this highlight getting lost "in the weeds"? How can you complicate Jesus? What do you need to adjust?

TUESDAY // Read John 14:8-9, 1:18, 3:33-36, 5:17-18, 19-32, 6:29, 7:29, 8:16, 19, 28-29, 42, 54-55, 10:15, 12:45

- Why was Jesus surprised when Philip requested to see the Father? How did Jesus respond? Be specific.
- Given Jesus was leaving, what does this reveal about Philip's struggle with faith? How do you struggle in this way?
- What will ultimately happen if this isn't addressed? What is God showing you about complicated Christianity?

WEDNESDAY // Read John 14:10-11, 1:1, 14, Colossians 1:15-20

- Explain what today's reading reveals about the deity of Jesus. Why is this an important doctrine?
- In what way can the deity of Jesus complicate Christianity if we aren't careful? Be specific.
- How do you struggle with the deity of Jesus? Why will it always be a struggle? How can this encourage you?

THURSDAY // Read John 14:12, 10:37-38, 11:39-44, Acts 2:37-41, 5:13-17, Romans 15:18-19, Heb. 2:3-4

- In what way did Jesus provide proof for the claims He was making about the Father? Be specific.
- Why was this a good reminder for Philip? What promise did Jesus make to Philip to bring even more clarity?
- Based on today's reading, how did this take place? (e.g. "greater works") How does this also happen today?

FRIDAY // Read John 14:13, 1 Thessalonians 5:17, Colossians 4:3, 1 Peter 4:7, Romans 12:12

- Given Jesus was saying goodbye to the Disciples, how did He encourage them with prayer? What was the promise?
- In what way is the promise of "anything" qualified? How does "in my name" apply? Be specific.
- Why will prayer always prevent a complicated Christianity? What steps will you take this week, month, year?

SATURDAY // Read John 14:12, Matthew 6:5-15

- Compare and contrast the way the Pharisees were praying and the instructions Jesus gave for prayer.
- In what way is one relational and one institutionalized? Be specific. How can this happen today? Give an example?
- How would you rate your current prayer life? What are some ways you can be more intentional and relational today?

MEDITATION VERSE: *¹⁰Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own authority, but the Father who dwells in me does his works.* John 14:10