

“What I want my Oakbrook family to hold on to” faith challenge from 5-6-18

Pastor Terry shared a number things he’s hoping Oakbrook will hold on to. What do these look like in your life?

Day 1 Love in both directions- love freely.

Matthew 22:37-40

“You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, and all your mind.’ This is the first and greatest commandment. A second is equally important: ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’ The entire law and all the demands of the prophets are based on these two commandments.”

Love God with all you are and all you have. Love others as you love yourself.

Jot down ways you regularly love in both directions.

Where is God asking you to grow in your love for Him? For others?

What might that look like?

Day 2 “All I have and all I am comes from Him”- live generously- all of life generosity

2 Corinthians 8:7

“But just as you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in complete earnestness and in your love for us—see that you also excel in this grace of giving.”

All God has given to me is to flow through me (time, talent, treasure, life, skills, gifts, relationships, opportunities)

Where and how are you growing in generosity? What step(s) is God asking you to take next?

Is there an area where your hand is closed?

Day 3 Ask, Listen and say yes-

Live by faith- “without faith it’s impossible...” Hebrews 11:6

“The righteous will live by faith” Galatians 3:11

Faith is a willingness, to step into what God asks and the courage to trust Him to provide all I need to follow.

Where is God asking you to trust Him? Jot it down.

How will you respond?

Day 4 Mission not maintenance- helping people Meet God, Grow in faith and Follow Jesus

Matthew 28:19-20 *“Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”*

Where is God asking you to answer His call to help someone meet, grow and follow?

Who?

How?

When?

Day 5- No Fear- Trust Him; Trust His hand; Trust His heart

Isaiah 41:10

‘Do not fear, for I am with you; Do not anxiously look about you, for I am your God. I will strengthen you, surely I will help you, Surely I will uphold you with My righteous right hand.’

What areas of fear do you wrestle with? List them

Where is God’s Spirit asking you to trust your fear to Him?

What would it take for you to move toward this fear with trust? Jot it down