



Resource Global Mission Trip

- * monthly zooms with graduated fellow
- * one-week trip in 2nd week of June or Sept
- * all professions are welcome
- * will resend email



Dwell

- * 20+ voices
- * 12 translations
- * background music
- * reading plans
- * will resend email
- * please don't share outside of ICC!

SCOT McKNIGHT

THE *Second*
TESTAMENT



A NEW TRANSLATION



JOHN GOLDINGAY

THE *first*
TESTAMENT



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SCOT MCKNIGHT

THE *Second*
TESTAMENT



A NEW TRANSLATION

- a very literal translation that preserves the original wording as much as possible (including names)
- captures the unique voice of each author
- jar you into seeing the New Testament from a fresh perspective

Luke 14:1-2

edema

Galatians 2:20

allegiance

John 4:11-26

John 4:11-26

into the Era

a spring

of water leaping into Era Life

voice your man

John 4:11-26

beautifully

John 4:11-26

bowing-downers

John 4:11-26



THE
*with-***GOD**
LIFE

Prayer as Renovation

Paul Miller

When our kids were two, five, eight, twelve, fourteen, and sixteen, I wrote this in my prayer journal:

March 19, 1991. Amazing how when I don't pray in the morning evil just floods into our home. I absolutely must pray!

Oh, God, give me the grace to pray. It took me seventeen years to realize I couldn't parent on my own. ... My prayer journal reflects both my inability to change my kids and my inability to change my self-confidence. That's why I need grace even to pray.

Paul Miller

God answered my prayer. As I began to pray regularly for the children, he began to work in their hearts. For example, I began to pray for more humility in my eldest son, John.

(As Jill says, “The apple didn’t fall far from the tree.”)

About six months later he came to me and said, “Dad, I’ve been thinking a lot about humility lately and my lack of it.”

It didn’t take me long to realize I did my best parenting by prayer. I began to speak less to the kids and more to God.

How do I make sure that
I end up in the right place
when I die?

John
17:3

Now this is **eternal life**: that they **know you**, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent.

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John
10:10

The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I came that they may have life, and have it **abundantly**.

The choice to be made isn't so much about a **destination** but a **relationship**: Will you surrender to Jesus' leadership, following him into a life of true abundance?

C. S. Lewis

I willingly believe that the damned are, in one sense, successful, rebels to the end; that the doors of hell are locked on the *inside*. I do not mean that the ghosts may not wish to come out of hell, in the vague fashion wherein an envious man 'wishes' to be happy: but they certainly do not will even the first preliminary stages of that self-abandonment through which alone the soul can reach any good. They enjoy forever the horrible

C. S. Lewis

freedom they have demanded, and are therefore self-enslaved: just as the blessed, forever submitting to obedience, become through all eternity more and more free.

In the long run the answer to all those who object to the doctrine of hell, is itself a question: 'What are you asking God to do?'

C. S. Lewis

There are only two kinds of people in the end: those who say to God, “Thy will be done,” and those to whom God says, in the end, “Thy will be done.”

Matthew 6:9-10

This, then, is how you should pray:
“Our Father in heaven, hallowed
be your name, your kingdom come,
your will be done, on earth as it is
in heaven.

Matthew 6:9-13

This, then, is how you should pray: “Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,

your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one.”

Even as we ask that God's
will be done on earth, we're
invited to consider what this
means for our own lives.

darkened
heart



darkened heart



- *His success makes me feel like a failure. I hope something bad happens to him.*
- *Her beauty makes me feel ugly. Others need to know how fake she is.*
- *That girl walking in front of me looks pretty hot. No one knows the fantasies I'm entertaining in my head right now.*
- *I just know something is going to go wrong with my plans. Nothing ever works out for me. I hate my life.*

divided
heart

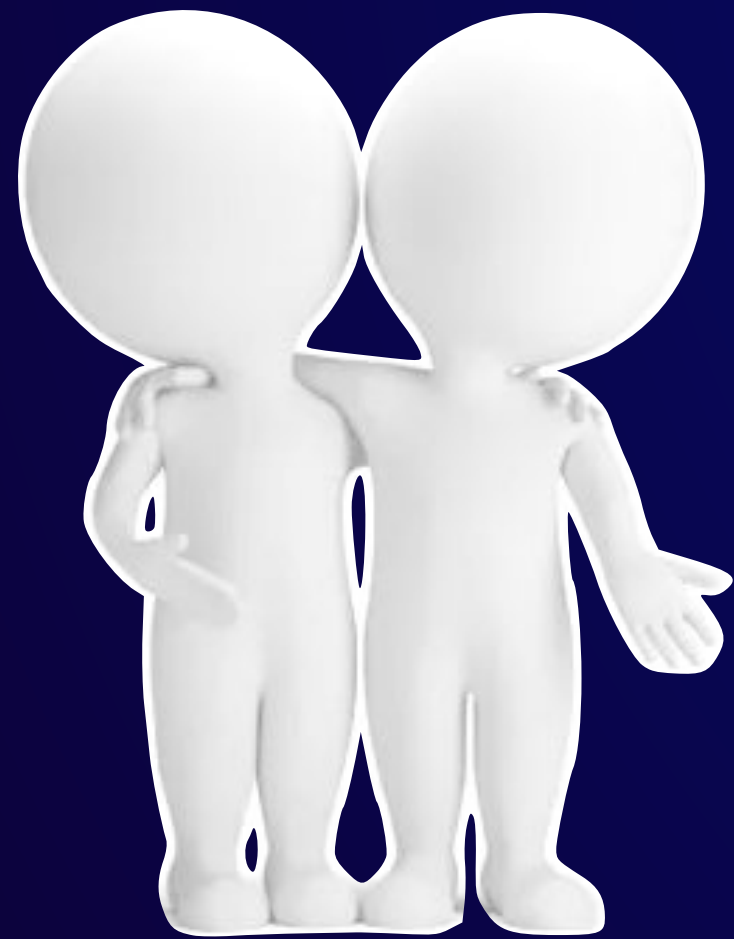
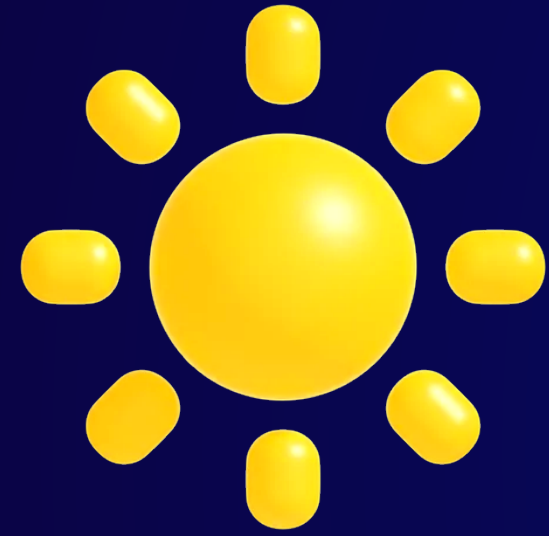


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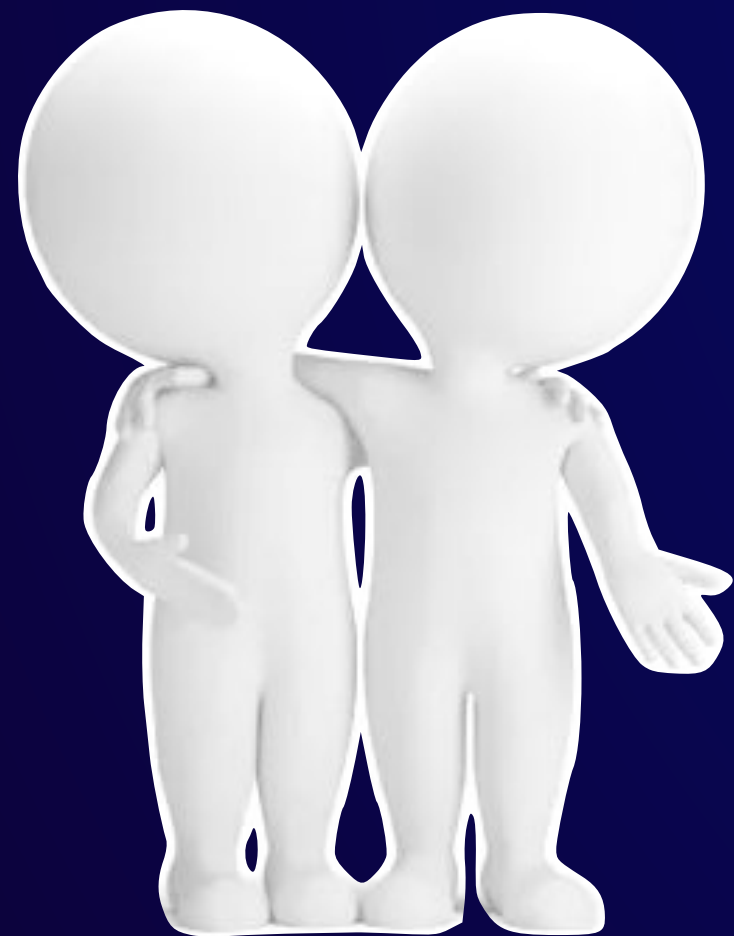
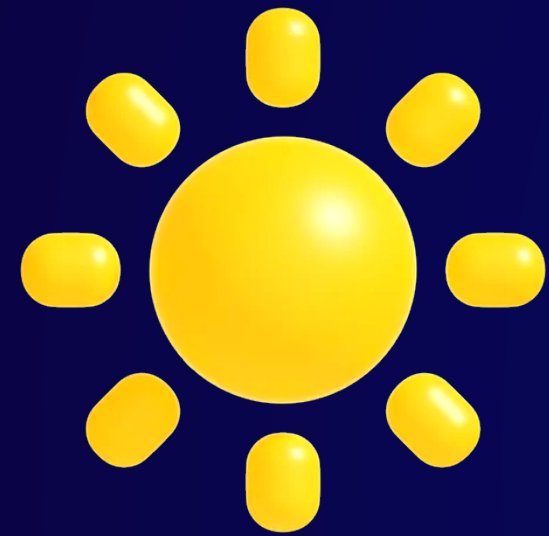


- *That looks so fun. I don't see what's so wrong about it. No one will ever know.*
- *I can't believe I did it again. It's hopeless. I'll never change.*
- *After everything I've done, THIS is the thanks I get?*
- *Why am I always the one who has to make the sacrifices? Why doesn't anyone else step up?*

renovated
heart



renovated heart



- *I'm so scared, but I know that God is my shepherd. I know I don't have to face this alone.*
- *Thank you for your encouraging words of praise, but honestly without God's help and the support of others, I couldn't have done it.*
- *What she said about me was so hurtful, but I know I'm no better than her. God, shower her with your love.*
- *I don't think I should be watching this. I'm going to turn it off.*

John Ortberg

Every thought is either enabling and strengthening you to be able to cope with reality to live a kingdom kind of life, or robbing you of that life.

Every thought is — at least to a small extent — God-breathed or God-avoidant; leading to death or leading toward life.

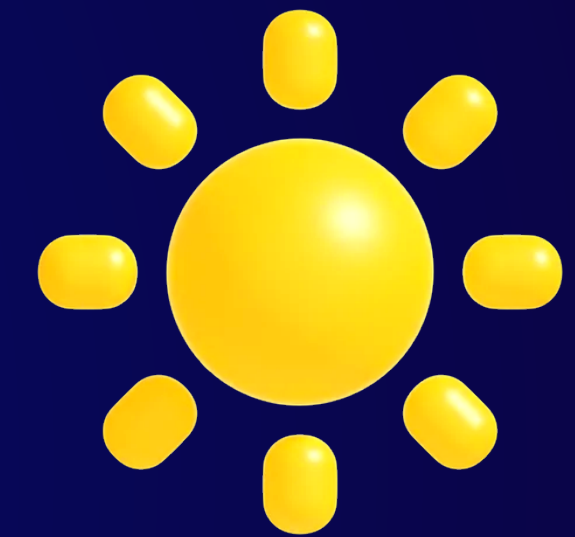
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Dallas Willard

We live from our heart. The part of us that drives and organizes our life is not the physical. ... We live from our depths—most of which we do not understand. ... Accordingly, the greatest need you and I have—the greatest need of collective humanity—is *renovation of our heart*. ... The renovation of the human heart, is an inescapable human problem with no human solution.

Richard Foster

The real issue is not so much us getting into heaven as it is getting heaven into us. ... The daring goal of the Christian life is an ever-deeper re-formation of our inner personality so that it reflects more and more the glory and goodness of God. ... You see, this life, this *zoë* that comes from God and is the salvation that is in Jesus Christ, is a character-transforming life.

Richard Foster

This fundamental transformation of the self begins with the work of God upon the heart — and for good reason, for the heart is the wellspring of human action. ... God is the only one who can separate the true from the false; he alone can purify the motives of the heart. But God does not come uninvited. If the chambers of our heart have never experienced God's healing touch, perhaps it is because we have not welcomed divine scrutiny.

Through prayer we invite
God to do his transforming
work in our hearts.

Psalm 139:23-24

Search me, God, and know my heart;
test me and know my anxious thoughts.
See if there is any offensive way in me,
and lead me in the way everlasting.

1 Thessalonians 5:12-18

Now we ask you, brothers and sisters, to acknowledge those who work hard among you, who care for you in the Lord and who admonish you. Hold them in the highest regard in love because of their work. Live in peace with each other. And we urge you, brothers and sisters, warn those who are idle and disruptive,

1 Thessalonians 5:12-18

encourage the disheartened, help the weak, be patient with everyone. Make sure that nobody pays back wrong for wrong, but always strive to do what is good for each other and for everyone else. Rejoice always, **pray continually**, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.

The hallmark of a prayerful life is honesty with our sinfulness that leads to repentance, freedom and growth, not condemnation.

2 Corinthians 7:10

Godly sorrow brings repentance that leads to salvation and leaves no regret, but worldly sorrow brings death.

Paul Miller

... I'm at my worst when I'm passionate about a new idea. I can drift into selling instead of listening and can easily become dominating. My heart is a dry and weary land. But when I begin to pray, the energy of my life is directed into the life of God and not into changing people's minds ... and I shut up!

Paul Miller

When someone shares an idea that was originally mine, I want to mention that I first thought of it. I feel unsettled, as if the universe is out of balance. In short, I want to boast. The only way to quiet my soul's desire for prominence is to begin to pray: *Apart from you I can do nothing.*

Paul Miller

... God wants us to come to him empty-handed, weary, and heavy-laden. Instinctively we want to get rid of our helplessness before we come to God. ... Prayer is bringing your helplessness to Jesus.