

KEY THOUGHTS

- Most of our faith journeys include times in The Plateau. Faith doesn't bring new things our way, grow as fast, or invigorate us as much. We need a jump.
- Last week, obedience in the small things was a jump to a deeper faith. This week, having the posture of a learner is our boost to new levels of growth.
- Learning requires intentionality. We don't learn simply by showing up and spectating. There is a "leaning forward" that we must intentionally do.
- Learning requires time. And sometimes lots of it. Our impatience short-circuits the process and robs us of much of what God wants to teach us.
- We need to go back to school and learn from Jesus.

SCRIPTURES

- Matthew 10-11 – two chapters on the difficulty of following Jesus
- Matthew 11:25-29

PRACTICAL & REFLECT

- 1. In what area(s) of faith specifically do I need to learn?
- What am I intentionally doing to learn more in my faith?
- Is God revealing to me that I am too impatient in the process of learning? Do I give up too easily?
- Take 15 minutes today to explore some of the resource suggestions to help you be a better learner.

AREAS IN WHICH TO LEARN

1. Life of Jesus
2. Biblical History
3. Life as a Follower
4. Theology
5. Spiritual Disciplines
6. Jesus and Culture

HOW TO LEARN

1. Be humble
2. Don't separate your learning from Scripture
3. Surround yourself with other learners
4. Don't require a commanding presentation or position
5. Pray for discomfort
6. Resource your learning

SOME SUGGESTED RESOURCES

www.bibleproject.com – click on the Watch button top left and explore in particular "Books of the Bible" and "Themes"

Wayne Grudem's Systematic Theology is almost an encyclopedia of theological framing.

Richard Foster's The Celebration of Discipline explores spiritual disciplines, along with some personal suggestions and challenges. If you have specific questions of areas of theology, feel free to reach out to staff members and we may be able to direct you.