

Taking Worship Home

Discuss one or more of the following with a friend or family member.

1. Take another look at the beliefs of Jesus listed in chapter 16. Do you struggle with any of these? Which one(s) and why? What have you believed instead?
2. When was the last time you got away to be with Jesus, to know him better? If recently, what is something he is speaking, or has spoken, to you? If it's been a while, when can you get some focused time away?
3. This week we were challenged to dip deep into our life with Jesus and see ourselves and our interactions change as a result. Which of the following did you attempt? How did it go?
 - a. Immerse yourself in the beliefs of Jesus. Where is there alignment? Where are there contradictions between his beliefs and yours?
 - b. Do some self-reflection and ask yourself, and maybe some trusted friends, "Are there areas of hypocrisy in my life? Places where my words are bigger than my actions?"
 - c. Spend some time really looking at Jesus' words. Mediate on them. Maybe even memorize them.
 - d. Ask God to prepare you for the next opportunity you will have to be a vessel of healing in someone's life.
 - e. Evaluate if there are any places of disobedience to Jesus in your life. If so, confess and move forward in obedience.

(from 42 Seconds, pages 143-144)

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right into the humility
of dependence**

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Prayer for the Week

Holy Spirit, Spirit of Jesus, fill me again today. Drive me back to dependence on Jesus; cultivate in me a longing for his word; make Jesus present to me, and make Jesus present through me to the world around me.

Lord Jesus, pour out your Spirit on me again today. Share with me the same kind of intimate connection you have to the Father. As you were sent out, send me out; as you served with humility, invite me into the humility of dependence.

Heavenly Father, hear the prayers of your Spirit for me again today. Expand your kingdom and glorify your name in me and through me. As your cherished child, I commit my day to your service and to your glory. Amen.

By the Book

Go back through the *42 Seconds* book and look for places you starred or circled or underlined. Finish reading anything you missed. Read the brief epilogue if you haven't yet (145-151).

Looking back at the whole book, what is your primary take-away?

We trust that Jesus is at work on us and through us by the power of his Spirit. What has he been shaping in you during this sermon series?

Is there any change you tried to make, or any new attitude you took out for a test drive that you would like to make a more permanent part of you discipleship journey? What concrete step could you take to make that change more permanent?

Lasting change is high in challenge. What invitation or promise do you need from Jesus to keep moving forward in the right direction?

Sermon Notes