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RE-CHARGING OUR SPIRITUAL BATTERY



Have you ever had the experience of getting in your car, turning the key in the ignition only to find out that the battery was dead? You can't move. You're stalled. You can't go anywhere until you get a jump. Somebody with a live battery and a set of jumper cables has to connect your dead battery to their live battery, and in a few seconds or minutes you can turn your key and you're good to go.

A similar experience occurs in our spiritual lives. Sometimes you just go flat. Sometimes you just run out of energy and you just can't get started.

As real as it is none of us can afford to run out of energy. We have family responsibilities that require our time and energy. We have jobs that require our time. We've got too much to do to go flat on the job! And yet the reality is that sometimes we do.

It was an experience of spiritual exhaustion and burnout that the Psalmist described when he said, "Why art thou cast down, O my soul, and why are you down in the dumps?" (Psalm 42:5)

The Psalmist not only describes his condition of needing his spiritual battery re-charged, in the verses that follow, he gives us the formula for getting re-charged.

Just like you need a vehicle with a live battery to recharge your car battery, God is the vehicle to whom we should turn when we need to be energized and come back to life! He is perpetual energy, and He desires nothing more than to fill us with His Spirit and empower us to stand up to our duties and responsibilities in life.

If a car with a live battery stands next to a car with a dead battery, nothing will happen unless and until there are jumper cables to connect them and allow the power to flow from one to another.

The Psalmist says, "I will hope in God, I will continually praise Him." Thinking about the goodness of God in your life and praising Him for His goodness re-energizes us! Constantly thinking about how bad you feel and all that's wrong in your life will only drain you and make you feel depressed and spiritually exhausted.

Hope in The Lord! Focus on his goodness and His power. Pray to Him! Prayer is the jumper cables that connect our souls to Him. He will fill you with life energy for your journey.

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NEWS AND NOTES

NOVEMBER 29, 2020

12 Days of Christ
Starting December 14th

Each day leading up to Christmas, Pastor Perkins will reveal a gift to you from Christ.
More details to come!

Sunday Study Hour
8:45 am - 9:45 am
w/ Rev. Dr. Cynthia Miller
Call the church office & leave email addresses or cell number
Experiencing God w/ Janice King - meet.google.com/pev-vuzc-gld
Love for One Another-Studies in Genesis, I Samuel, Luke, John, Acts, & the Epistles

9 am - 10 am
w/ Rev. LeRoy Heard - Zoom ID: 207 009 4492 Password: 8vR6ED
w/ Sharon Smith - Dial: 866-226-3606 Code: 5243725#
w/ Deacon Jeanette Stewart - Dial: 605-475-4858 Code: 896661

12:30 pm - 1:30 pm
w/ Penny Covington & Gytina Roy - Dial: 347-514-7130 ID: 2670265

Wednesday Noon Study Hour
12:00 pm - 1:00 pm
w/ Rev. Dr. Cynthia Miller - Dial: 774-220-4000 ID: 721 9004



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