

TODAY'S READING

John 1:1-4





"It may be revealing to know that telling your story begins with someone else. Long before you arrive on the scene... people started talking about you... You began your life out of and into this narrative that others were already telling."

Curt Thompson

Then the LORD God formed the man from
the dust of the ground. He breathed the
breath of life into the man's nostrils, and
the man became a living person.

Genesis 2:7

We see ourselves independent of Him
so much so that the magnitude of
His holiness is lost on us, because
we have stepped into His role.

"What comes into our
minds when we think
about God is the most
important thing about us."

A.W. TOZER

Have we made God part of our
identity structure, or has He
structured our identity?

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word
was with God, and the Word was God. He was
in the beginning with God. All things were
made through him, and without him was not
any thing made that was made. In him was life,
and the life was the light of men.

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Jonah

Call Nineveh to
repentance

Resistant and unwilling

God accomplished His
purposes anyway

We admire Moses, David, Esther, and everyone else who has ever lived boldly for Christ. But the very thing the people of God longed for their whole lives and had only received through selection of a few now lives inside of all of us!

"The same Spirit who
raised Jesus from the
dead lives in you."

ROMANS 8:11

God isn't there to solely prepare the path ahead of you—He deeply desires your trust and submission to allow Him to prepare you for the path ahead.

Prayer Connects Us as Heirs

Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

HEBREWS 4:16

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When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all truth. He will not speak on his own but will tell you what he has heard. He will tell you about the future. **John 16:13**

Daily Rhythm

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Respond How do I move into obedience?

