Morning Lesson

AM I CENTERED ON CHRIST? Psalm 118:8

INTRO:

- 1. The shortest chapter in the bible? Psalm 117
- 2. The longest chapter in the bible? Psalm 119
- 3. The middle chapter in the bible? Psalm 118
- 4. What does it mean to make God the center of my life? John 17:20-23; Matt. 6:33; 16:24
- 5. We need to establish the right habits.
- 6. It might look something like the following.

I. FOCUS ON PRAYER AND BIBLE READING.

- A. This may mean setting times throughout the day Specifically for prayer and Bible reading. Psalm 1:1, 2
- B. Remember, the goal is to keep Jesus at the center and Become aware of His presence throughout the day.

II. CHOOSE TO REFLECT.

- A. Think about your day; what did I do? What could I have done differently? Was pleasing God in my thoughts?

 Mark 6:31
 - B. Talk to God about it and ask for what is needed. Pour your heart out to Him.

III. FOSTER RELATIONSHIPS.

- A. This includes being present with your family. **Eph. 5:25**; **6:4**
- B. Serve in the congregation alongside our church family.
- C. Be at peace with others. Rom. 14:19; 12:18

IV. NURTURE SELF-CARE.

- A. Commit to good health and life-giving activities.
- B. Taking care of ourselves is biblical. Matt. 22:39

V. REMIND YOURSELF OF GOD'S LOVE.

- A. God's love doesn't change. Rom. 5:8; 1 Pet. 5:7
- B. Learn to offer yourself grace. Titus 2:11; Eph. 2:4-10

CONC:

- 1. The center verse tells us the primary principle of living a God-centered life. Psalm 118:8
- 2. What will I do tomorrow to be more Christ-centered every day?