

Read the first 3 paragraphs on page 142 together. It's about his wife's grandma Clara. What do you think about how she responds to his question "what do you think of the play?"

The average Christian in the United States spends ten minutes per day with God; meanwhile, they average over four hours a day watching television. What do you think of this statement, and maybe TV isn't your thing, but what about your time, how much of your time is dedicated to pursuing your life and your goals, and how much is focused on God's work and purposes?

People who are obsessed with God have an intimate relationship with Him. They are nourished by God's Word throughout the day because they know that forty minutes on Sunday is not enough to sustain them for a whole week, especially when they will encounter so many distractions and alternative messages.

Begin to imagine and pray about what it would look like in your life to be obsessed about God. Write some of your thoughts down in the space below.

CRAZY LOVE

Chapter 8: Profile of the obsessed

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OBSSESSED: to have the mind excessively preoccupied with a single emotion or topic.

Questions from the video

Why Not? Why can't we live like they did in the early church?

**Are we really committed to living out Biblical Christianity?
What commitments can you make tonight?**

Sometimes we assume that if we are nice, people will know that we are Christians and want to know more about Jesus. What do you think about this statement?

Do you think there has to be more to our faith than friendliness, politeness, and even kindness? If you do, what else needs to be a part of our faith?

Luke 6:32-36 states, "If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? Even "sinners" love those who love them. And if you do good to those who are good to you, what credit is that to you? Even "sinners" do that. And if you lend to those from whom you expect repayment, what credit is that to you? Even "sinners" lend to "sinners," expecting to be repaid in full. But love your enemies, do good to them, and lend to them without expecting to get anything back. Then your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High, because his is kind to the ungrateful and wicked. Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful."

Look at the above verse together and talk about it, what seems "crazy" to you in this verse?

We are commanded to love our enemies and do good to them. Who are your enemies, or in terms we connect better with, who are the people you avoid or who avoid you? Who are the people who have hurt you or hurt your friends or family?

Are you willing to do good to those people? To reach out to them? Explain?

Luke 14:12-14 states, "When you give a luncheon or dinner, do not invite your friends, your brothers or relatives, or your rich neighbors; if you do, they may invite you back and so you will be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind, and you will be blessed. Although they cannot repay you, you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

Talk about the verse above, what do you think about what Luke is saying here?

Have you actually ever done anything like this? Do you give to those who can't repay you? To those who would do you harm, or already have?

Do you even know people who don't have enough that you could invite to your house for dinner, or bring a meal to?

It seems like when we live as the Bible calls us to live we are looked at as "crazy." As a Christian who takes the Bible too literally, and can often be criticized for being too "radical." What do you think about this?