

SUMMERDALE YOUTH NEWS

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"WHAT TO DO DURING WORSHIP"

Worship of the first day of the week is something that we all should look forward to each week. Sometimes we are not sure how to conduct ourselves in worship. I want to share with you some practical ideas to help us stay focused. If we all practiced these principles our worship should be even more effective.

1. During Bible class and worship try not to get distracted. Remember why you are there, keep your mind open, but focused.
2. Don't do your nails or check your make-up. This can be smelly, distracting and inappropriate. Excuse yourself to the bathroom.
3. In the classes, try not to interfere with useless questions, keep them pertaining to the subject or text being discussed.
4. If you are teaching a class, try not to chase too many "rabbits."
5. When class dismisses go to the bathroom, get a drink, get a bulletin, so that you won't have to leave during the assembly.
6. When we begin the worship try to focus on the words in songs and prayers, listen to the lesson, and reflect during the Lord's Supper.
7. When we sing, you should be singing, it doesn't matter what you think you sound like, just sing!
8. When we pray, bow your head, and listen to the words. Say "Amen."
9. When we partake of the Lord's Supper you should be focused, not flipping through the song book or playing with baby in front of you.
10. If you are teaching, leading a prayer or singing, do it loud and speak into the microphone.
11. During the lesson, have your Bible open, and follow along.
12. If your child is loud, those things happen, but if you think its distracting, take them to the cry room, or outside to discipline them.
13. Don't let your children distract others. Try not to let them roll under the pews or throw things. Remember we do have a nursery.
14. Couples sitting together should be under control. No kissing, playing, or petting. It is very inappropriate in worship.
15. During the invitation, if you need to respond, do so, and if you want to come forward earlier, before the invitation, its okay.
16. Unless it is an emergency, try not to leave before services are over.
17. During the announcements don't blurt out more announcements, give them to announcement person after services.
18. When the last prayer is being said, we are still in worship. Try not to let the children get into the isle or climb out of the pew.
19. When the prayer is finished, the children can exit the building in an orderly fashion to the playground. Please, no running.
20. Stick around after services to greet the visitors.

I hope these suggestions are helpful. I know they can help all of us to have great worship services. Next week we will consider how to act after the worship. Have a great week!!!

*You are loved,
Ray*

SYG NEWS & EVENTS



We offer two opportunities for our children during the week for Bible study. On Sunday mornings we meet on the front pew for a "Pew Packers" style class before worship. SONSHINE STUDIES will have singing, Bible reading, and an object lesson for pre-K to 5th grade. We also have Wednesday night Bible classes for all ages! The teenagers will be studying the L2L material to prepare for the 2021 convention in Orlando, FL. Please bring your children and teens to Bible study and worship.



The teens will be working on "You Are Loved" packages for Valentine's Day. We want to bless our shut-ins and individuals in the nursing home or assisted living. If you have any names that you would like to add to our list please given them to Ray or Misty before February 1.

Youth & Young Adult Game Night will resume on January 29th at 6:30 PM. Game nights will be held in the fellowship hall on the last Friday of the month. We are asking everyone to bring a finger food and/or a dessert. A movie will play in the Theater for the little kids who do not want to play games.



We need to start getting prepared for the convention in Orlando - April 1-4. If you want to participate as a student, a coach, a judge, a donor or in any other way, please see Ray ASAP. The deadline for registration of events will be then end of February. We are VERY excited about participating this year at convention!

We've got questions. You've got answers. Don't throw us shade. It's time to spill the tea. This is an interview with one of our teens in a series of random questions. We call it "7 Groovy Questions." You can find it on Facebook, Instagram or YouTube. The next video will be with Chase Joiner.



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