

A Father's Day "To Do" List

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Are we receiving, discovering, and engaging in these heavenly works today?

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1) Where have you seen God at work in your life lately?

2) If you can't answer the first question, is it because God is not doing His work in you, or is it because you haven't been reporting for duty?
If it is the latter, why?

3) How is your connection, your engagement, with God right now? If it's not good, what's the cause of the disconnect?

John 15:5 – "I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, but apart from me you can do nothing."

4) What fruit is being produced in your life as a result of abiding in the vine (Jesus Christ)?

We believe that the answer to the question of "Who are we?" is best discovered as we place ourselves in 3 transformative environments!

- Worship – Where we regularly receive God's Word of truth!
- Small Groups – Where we engage together in studying His Word!
- Ministry/Service – Where we apply His Word to our daily lives!

This is what we believe God has called us "to do" as members of BRC, in order to discover more of who we are & who He has called us to be!

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James 2:1-4 – "Count it all joy when you meet trials of various kinds..."

For some of us, our busy schedule has hindered our ability to live into this!

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For some of us, exhaustion is what is keeping us from experiencing the transformative work of God that is in Christ in our lives!

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My challenge to all of us on this Father's Day is to do some hard work in answering these questions about God's work in our lives! We may not be able to identify all that God is doing, but we should be able to see some fruit

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