



# EARNESTLY SEEKING GOD

A STUDY OF SPIRITUAL DISCIPLINES



**JANUARY 14, 2024 | 9:30 AM WORSHIP**

"Seek the Lord and his strength; seek his presence continually!" 1 Chronicles 16:11

In this series, we're exploring CrossPoint's core value of earnestly seeking God and practicing spiritual disciplines like Bible study, prayer, fasting, and Sabbath rest to draw us into a deeper relationship with God and strengthen us spiritually.

Together, we're being equipped as passionate followers of Jesus to renew our community and world for Christ.

This morning we are excited to introduce Adam Verhoeven as our new Director of Youth Ministries. Adam grew up at CrossPoint, majored in Christian Studies with an emphasis in Youth Ministry, and is passionate about leading teenagers in their walk with Jesus.

He and his wife Haley are thankful for this opportunity and ready to invest in the next generation. Adam started at CrossPoint in January and led CP Youth for their first meeting of 2024 on Wednesday night.

CP Youth and parents are welcome to stop by the Connection Cafe after the service today to meet and welcome Adam and Haley!

*CrossPoint*  
**YOUTH**

*Harvest*  
**INDIA**

From January 15-25, five CrossPoint team members will travel and partner with Harvest India for ministry in remote villages and to explore future partnership opportunities. Pray for the team of Pastor Dae Hoon Kim, Alex Cho, Bob Rip, Stefan Smith, and Mark Vanderzee.

## TODAY AT CP

CPkids for K-6th | Fellowship Hall

CPlittles nursery ages 0-5 | Nursery

Japan Mission Interest | Lobby

Disciplines Study | 11 AM Music Room

Old Testament Study | 11 AM Worship Center

Meet Adam and Haley | Connection Cafe

The January Series is broadcast live from Calvin University in Grand Rapids, Michigan. Watch in-person at 9:30 AM in the CrossPoint Conference Room. See the daily schedule at [crosspointchino.org/january](http://crosspointchino.org/january)



Welcome  
**GUESTS**

Welcome to CrossPoint! We are excited to have you here and would love to meet you. Please visit Connection Point in the main lobby after the service, or fill out our Connection Card in your seat or via the QR code. Thank you for joining us for worship today!

**BEGINS JANUARY 15**

**FREE  
DAILY  
LECTURES**

the **January  
Series**

2024

PRESENTED BY CALVIN UNIVERSITY

## NEW YEAR, NEW MISSION OPPORTUNITIES

Later this month, Pastor Don and Beth Porter, representing the Mission Team, will travel to Nairobi, Kenya with a group of Chino pastors to visit a potential mission site called Missions of Hope International. This is a vision trip to discern how some of our Chino Valley churches can partner in overseas mission as an expression of our Core Value of Diverse Unity.

## CP MISSIONS

### JAPAN MISSIONS 2024

We're exploring a potential mission trip to Japan, are you interested?

Talk to the mission team this Sunday in the lobby to find out more!

**WHEN** July 30 - Aug 10, 2024 (likely dates)

**WHERE** Nozomi Relief Center in Yamamoto Miyagi, Japan (200 miles NE of Tokyo)

**WHAT** Working with CrossPoint sponsored CRC Resonate Global missionary Ken Lee in a Relief Center. Activities include yard work, cooking, counseling/praying, preparing and hosting meals, hosting VBS, leading worship time, prayer walks.

**WHO** Adults 18+ in good physical health (able to walk several miles)

**COST** \$2,700-\$3,000

**TRAVEL** By plane to Tokyo (11+ hrs) then Bullet Train (4 hrs) to Yamamoto  
Includes time exploring Tokyo at the end of the trip



### JUST OLDER YOUTH

Join us in the new year!  
Brunch, hymn sing, and more!

Thursday, January 18  
10-11:30 AM

CrossPoint Fellowship Hall

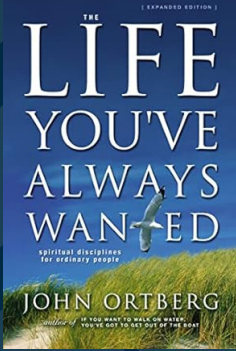
### PRAYER EXPERIENCE

When: Saturday, January 27  
8:30-10:30 AM

Where: CrossPoint Fellowship Hall

What: Begin the day with prayer together and move into a time of individual solitude and prayer around the CP campus.





## NEW SUNDAY STUDY

A new series begins today, centered around the core value of Earnestly Seeking God with a focus on spiritual disciplines. The series includes a 6-session Sunday study that will delve into the spiritual disciplines. Join us for the life you've always wanted!

When: Begins TODAY

11 AM on Sunday mornings

Where: CrossPoint Music Room

What: The Life You've Always Wanted by John Ortberg



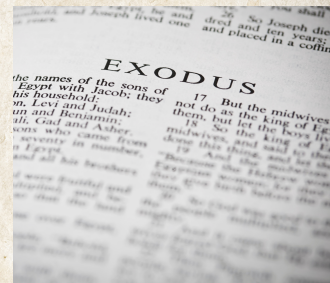
## OLD TESTAMENT SUNDAY STUDY

Join teachers Matt and Ryan for this informal, conversational Sunday study class to delve into the stories of the Old Testament.

Discover insights from the original Hebrew Bible and gain a better understanding of these foundational books of the gospel.

When: 11 AM TODAY

Where: CrossPoint Worship Center



## ELDER AND DEACON NOMINATIONS

The offices of elder and deacon are key leadership positions at CrossPoint. Covenant Partners are asked to prayerfully submit nominations for CrossPoint members who will serve with commitment, diligence and responsibility. Recommendation forms and qualifications are available at [crosspointchino.org/nominations](http://crosspointchino.org/nominations). Please submit by January 28.



## CARRYING ON THE VISION



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RAISED

SO FAR!

The Vision Campaign has received \$1,302,791 total in gifts and pledges to date. We are praising God for the wholehearted generosity of our church family!

As we look ahead to the new year, we are excited to see what God has in store for us. We invite you to prayerfully consider a pledge to the Vision Campaign at [crosspointchino.org/pledge](http://crosspointchino.org/pledge) or at the Vision Center near the lobby. Thank you for your support, encouragement, and prayers!

Find out what's next for Carrying On The Vision at our update on Sunday, January 21 at the close of the worship service.



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# Earnestly Seeking God: The Flesh vs. the Spirit | Galatians 5:16-26

Danny Unterkofler, Pastor of Community Life

## The Flesh vs. the Spirit (Galatians 5:16-18)

If you are a believer in Jesus Christ, then you are in the midst of a \_\_\_\_\_ between the flesh and the Spirit.

## The Acts of the Flesh (Galatians 5:19-21)

The acts of the flesh pull us back into the kingdom from which we have been \_\_\_\_\_.

## The Fruit of the Spirit (Galatians 5:22-26)

The Spirit grants us the \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ to bear fruit through all seasons.

Spiritual disciplines are \_\_\_\_\_ by which we learn to live in and by the Spirit.



*Since we live by the Spirit, let us  
keep in step with the Spirit.  
Galatians 5:25*

<b>READINGS</b>	M	Hebrews 4:1-13
	T	Genesis 1-2:2
	W	Exodus 20:1-21
	Th	Matthew 12:1-14
	F	Colossians 2:6-23
	Sa	Luke 14:1-14
	Su	Hebrews 4:1-13

- In Galatians 5:16-18 and Romans 8:1-17, Paul speaks about the battle between the flesh and the Spirit. What do these passages teach us about this battle?
- Paul says that we are to walk, be led, live and keep in step with the Spirit. What practices are you currently involved in that help you live in the Spirit on a daily basis?
- Take some time to read and meditate on Psalm 139. What is one area in your life where you are living more in the flesh? How might Psalm 139 help you give that area in your life to God?
- Read the list of the fruit of the Spirit in Galatians 5:22-23. What are some practical ways you can share this fruit with others in your life today?
- Paul says in Romans 8:11 that “the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you.” How might that reality encourage your heart on a daily basis?
- The Life You’ve Always Wanted: Spiritual disciplines for ordinary people by John Ortberg
- The Spirit of the Disciplines: Understanding how God changes lives by Dallas Willard
- Keys to the Deeper Life by A.W. Tozer
- The Me I Want to Be: Becoming God’s best version of you by John Ortberg  
CP Library also has the teen edition
- The Silver Sword / The Golden Cross / The Velvet Shadow – 3 novels by Angela Elwell Hunt
- Ruined: A memoir by Ruth Everhart
- The Chance: A novel by Karen Kingsbury
- Long Way Home: A novel by Lynn Austin