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Targeted Living

LIVING WATERS

"But whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst; but the water that I shall give him shall become in him a well of water springing up to eternal life." (John 4:14).

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God's Design (Ephesians 2:10)

"For we are His **workmanship**, created in Christ Jesus for **good works**, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them" (Ephesians 2:10).

- God has designed me (workmanship)
- God has designed what to do (the works)

Trust in His workmanship **Trust in God's special grace**

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A Look Ahead with Ephesians 2:10

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Year	Annual percentage of fulfilling God's intended good works for your life
2000	60
2010	40
2020	95
2030	50
2036	70

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Philippians 3:12-14

Not that I have already obtained it, or have already become perfect, but I press on in order that I may lay hold of that for which also I was laid hold of by Christ Jesus. Brethren, I do not regard myself as having laid hold of it yet; but one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and reaching forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus. (Philippians 3:12-14, NASB).



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An Abundant Life

- Bearing fruit is fun!
- The way abiding in Christ works
- The problem of burnout



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The Burnout Problem

Excitement from knowing the Lord.
Excited about serving the Lord.



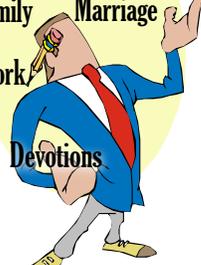
- Family pressures
- Marriage pressures
- Work pressures
- Ministry pressures



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No Problem

Ministry
Family Marriage
Work
Devotions



Meeting with God regularly helps us keep everything else in balance.

We believe God can help us and He does!

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Our Time with the Lord

Relationship with Lord

Devotions

Being Fruitful
John 15, Psalm 1

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Relationship with the Lord

Knowing God's person and will

Desire to serve the Lord

Devotions
Focused on our

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Discussion Questions and Prayer

1. What does "burnout" describe? Its symptoms?
2. How does a person get burned out?
3. How does biblical meditation assist us in addressing this issue?
4. Why is Christ's living water an effective illustration of the Christian life?
5. Why is the phrase "bearing fruit" so significant?

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A Study on Biblical Meditation

#7 Our Lives & Ministries

Ephesians 2:10

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John 15:4-17

"Abide in Me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, unless it abides in the vine, so neither *can* you, unless you abide in Me. "I am the vine, you are the branches; he who abides in Me, and I in him, he bears much fruit; for apart from Me you can do nothing." "If anyone does not abide in Me, he is thrown away as a branch, and dries up; and they gather them, and cast them into the fire, and they are burned." "If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it shall be done for you." "By this is My Father glorified, that you bear much fruit, and so prove to be My disciples." John 15:4-8, NASB.
