

THIS WEEK

- **Tuesday** – 8:00 AM – Community Prayer @ The Gathering Place
- **Wednesday** – 6:00 PM Meal → Study starts @ 6:30 PM
- **Thursday** – 6:30 AM Men's Group @ Church
6:30 PM Free Drive-In Movie Event (See below)



Ministry/Service Opportunities

We're thrilled to share **current ministry openings** at Gateway Church Monroe—**opportunities** to use your **time and talents** to help spread God's love.

- **Sunday Morning Coffee & Building Prep**
- **Children's Ministry Worker/s**

Upcoming Events

Children's Ministry – OCTOBER 5th!

Safety First: Check-in/out, registration, incident reporting, cameras, etc!

Welcoming Space: *Safe and fun* for kids to **learn** and **grow** in **God's Word**.

We can't wait to welcome your family!

FREE Drive-In Movie

Volunteers Needed!

Thursday, September 25th @ 6:30pm

- **FREE** entry, **RSVP required**
- **FREE** small popcorn and drink when you arrive
- **(2) FREE** giveaways, combined value of **\$500.00**
- **2 bounce houses** for kids!



RSVP (scan QR code OR...)

Text: "Movie Night" to 515-868-3860

Email: IowaSeniorLiving@gmail.com

Women's Bible Study – OCTOBER

Women's Bible Study is starting back up this **October**. Details to come!

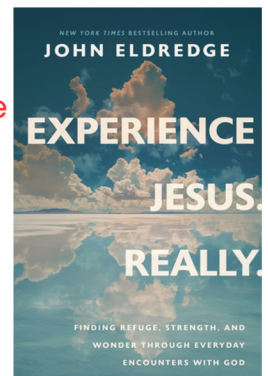
Men's Group Series

Thursday's @ 6:30am

**Experience Jesus.
Really.**

Author: John Eldridge

Slow down, quiet the noise, and encounter Jesus in the middle of everyday life, not just on Sundays.



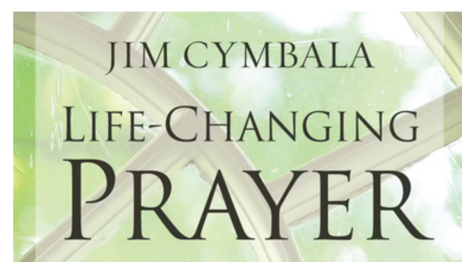
Wednesday Nights

DINNER at 6:00 PM, Study at 6:30 PM.

Life-Changing Prayer

By: Jim Cymbala

6-week video study on approaching God's throne of grace with **confidence** AND **discovering** how **prayer can truly transform your life!**



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Want to stay connected with what's happening at Gateway Church Monroe?

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Message Notes

Praying for Spiritual Growth

Ephesians 1:15-23

*****Daily Sunday Follow Up Bible Studies posted Mon–Fri on
Facebook AND gatewaychurchmonroe.com/blog*****

The Power of God: A Scripture Reflection

Handout for Personal Meditation

Introduction

This handout is designed to guide you in reflecting on the limitless power of God. Each Scripture verse below is paired with an area of life where you may need His strength. Take this home, meditate on these verses, and trust in God's power to work in your life.

Scripture Reading

1. Jeremiah 32:17 (ESV)

"Ah, Lord GOD! It is you who have made the heavens and the earth by your great power and by your outstretched arm! Nothing is too hard for you."

Area of Need: Overcoming Impossible Situations

When facing challenges that seem insurmountable—financial struggles, broken relationships, or overwhelming responsibilities—trust God's power to make a way where there seems to be none.

2. Ephesians 1:19–20 (ESV)

"And what is the immeasurable greatness of his power toward us who believe, according to the working of his great might that he worked in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places."

Area of Need: Spiritual Strength and Renewal

In times of doubt, spiritual dryness, or temptation, rely on the same resurrection power that raised Jesus to give you victory and renew your faith.

3. Psalm 147:5 (ESV)

"Great is our Lord, and abundant in power; his understanding is beyond measure."

Area of Need: Guidance in Decision-Making

When feeling lost or uncertain about the future, trust God's infinite power and wisdom to guide your steps and provide clarity.

4. Isaiah 40:29–31 (ESV)

"He gives power to the faint, and to him who has no might he increases strength. Even youths shall faint and be weary, and young men shall fall exhausted; but they who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles."

Area of Need: Physical and Emotional Endurance

When physically exhausted or emotionally drained, trust God's power to sustain you and give you strength to persevere.

5. 2 Corinthians 12:9 (ESV)

"But he said to me, 'My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made

perfect in weakness.' Therefore I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may rest upon me."

Area of Need: Facing Personal Weaknesses

In moments of inadequacy or failure, trust that God's power shines through your weaknesses, enabling you to do what you cannot do alone.

Instructions for Reflection

- **Read Daily:** Set aside time each day to read one or more of these verses aloud, reflecting on God's power.
- **Pray for Trust:** Ask God to help you trust His power in the specific areas of need listed.
- **Journal Your Thoughts:** Write down how God's power is working in your life as you meditate on these Scriptures.
- **Share with Others:** Discuss these verses with a friend or family member, encouraging one another to rely on God's strength.

Closing Prayer

Heavenly Father, we thank You for Your limitless power and love. Help us to trust in Your strength in every area of our lives. May these Scriptures remind us of Your ability to overcome any obstacle and sustain us through every trial. In Jesus' name, Amen.



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