

We are hurried busy people

Seems like we work to have
the money to vacation and play,
then we vacation/play to remove
the stress of working so much.
Not really going anywhere, but going
very hard -- going, going, going

What would Jesus say about all this

We work too much, we play too much
We go too much, we think too much,
about everything besides him
Stop and think about him
and what life is about
More time in community interacting,
helping, and serving others
Getting to know Christ better

Now pause, where should we be going

Perhaps we should get off
the rat race wheel and look around
Perhaps we should look to Jesus to
light our way (John 14:6-7)

Christ would want us to keep his love alive inside us

Like a fire, easier to keep it alive than
to let it die and have to rekindle it from scratch
Feed the fire every day with
small bits of fuel to keep a flame
Feed it larger chunks periodically
to build long lasting coals
Keep your heart warm and right with Jesus

**If we sat around a
campfire with Jesus . . .
Let's pray the Lord's Prayer**

**Give us this day
our daily bread,
and forgive us our
trespasses as we forgive
those who trespass
against us.**

**Our Father,
who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.**

**And lead us not into
temptation, but deliver us
from evil. For Thine
is the kingdom,
and the power and the
glory forever. Amen.**

First he would pray

**We can come to GOD wherever we are,
just be yourself**

Friends talk

Prayer is our way of talking to GOD

Be in community with GOD

Jesus would encourage our community with others

Be involved with small groups

Let them become family

**When two or more are gathered,
he is there**

Around the campfire, Jesus would quote some scripture

Get to know GOD and Jesus through the bible

Like praying in reverse –

listen to GOD through scriptures

God and Jesus were together

from the beginning, in community

They want us to be in community with them

Jesus would tell us to do good every day

Random acts of kindness

Little things count; strangers are good

We belong to Christ – act like it

**Actually not random - like Christ's
love, give it away and get it back**

Regular giving of ourselves on a higher level

Many opportunities available
right here at LUMC

Financial giving is part of being
in community with Christ

Financial giving extends your reach
to do goodness through others

Think of sitting with Jesus by the campfire everyday

Pray

Read Scripture

Be part of a small group, don't just attend

Perform random acts of kindness/love,
even for strangers

Plan your greater involvement in giving of
yourself and financially and Give of yourself

What would Christ put on your bucket list

Helping someone learn about Him

Saving someone from self pity

Giving of yourself in some new way,

Planting a tree for others

Teaching a child to read

Tithing first

Leaving an endowment fund

Living in community (John 1:1-2 and John 14:6)

***Go and share
GOD's love
in the world!***