

Spiritual Strength

Isaiah 40:21-31

Our current moment in the church calendar:

Following Advent, the church celebrates Epiphany proper on January 6, followed by several weeks focusing on different moments in the life of Jesus. Epiphany celebrates the manifestation of God in Christ and proclaims his presence to all. The Light of the world has come into the world to lighten up the darkness.

Train yourself to become acutely aware of when you are walking in _____ strength alone, instead of _____.

What does that look like in your life?

God invites us over and over in Scripture to go to him for strength: 1 Chronicles 16:11; Isaiah 41:10; Ephesians 6:10; Psalm 68:35; Habakuk 3:19; Isaiah 40:29-31

For further reflection:

- *The Lord's Work in the Lord's Way* by Francis A. Schaeffer
- *God Works For Those Who Wait For Him* by John Piper

"Those who rush to rely on the strength resident in creation will inevitably fail, but those who "hope in" the Lord, the Creator, will discover reservoirs of strength and endurance of which the world knows nothing."

-NIV Biblical Theology Study Bible

An Evening with John Owen

Join us this Wednesday night (7th) for a small gathering of folks who want to learn how to read John Owens for delight and depth. 6:30-8:30pm at Southside.

No previous experience with John Owen required. No need to bring anything. You won't be asked to read out loud, or put on the spot in any way. This will simply be some helpful tips that I've learned about reading Owen, and a few passages to practice on your own in different areas of the building, ending with some time back together for group reflection and sharing.

Reserve your spot for this intimate gathering by emailing Greg@SouthsideWooster.com.