Previously on Wednesday Night Youth Worship...

   - When and Where do you pray?
   - Do you pray specifically?
   - Are you praying persistently?
   - Adoration, Confession, Thanksgiving, Supplication

2. **Self-Fed**  Hebrews 5:12–14
   - Being self-fed starts with an authentic, personal seeking of God and recognizing your true self.
   - Being self-fed means allowing the Bible to mold and shape us as we train ourselves in godliness.
   - Someone who is self-fed removes spiritual barriers.
   - Someone who is self-fed practices accountability.
   - We must... Examine ourselves. Use the Bible as a healthy spiritual tool.
     Begin to walk daily with a dependence on God.

And now for the rest of the sermon...

**Matthew 4:19**  "Come, follow me," Jesus said, "and I will send you out to fish for people."

  - God created us to be with Him, **but**
  - Our sin separated us from God, **and**
  - Sin cannot be removed by good deeds, **so**
  - Paying the price for sin, Jesus died, and He rose again, **and now**
  - Everyone who trusts in Him alone has eternal life, **and that eternal**
  - Life starts now, and it lasts forever!

**Turn-n-Talk**
- What does it mean to be a “fisher of men”?
- Why in your life do you not communicate the gospel regularly with your peers?
We must be...

1. Prayerfully Dependent
2. Self-Fed
3. Great Commission Driven

Matthew 28:18–20  
18 Then Jesus came to them and said, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.  
19 Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,  
20 and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”

1 Peter 3:13–15  
13 Who is going to harm you if you are eager to do good?  
14 But even if you should suffer for what is right, you are blessed. “Do not fear their threats; do not be frightened.”  
15 But in your hearts revere Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect,

Peter makes three points here, and they are that you should ...

Demonstrate, Defend, and Disarm

1. Disarm  
   “yet (but with) with gentleness and reverence (respect).”

2. Defend  
   “always being ready to make a defense to everyone.”

   Acts 2:14–40  
   “Preach the gospel at all times, and when necessary, use words.”

3. Demonstrate  
   “but sanctify Christ as Lord in your hearts.”

Mark 8:29 “But what about you?” he asked. “Who do you say I am?”  
Peter answered, “You are the Messiah.”

“Who do you say Jesus is?”