

Follow up Questions from message on Sunday, July 2, 2017

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Reread Colossians 3:1-4

Sometimes we get so focused on the uncertainty of the future we forget to focus on Christ. When we let Christ be our focus each day, he leads us to the future he has for us. So rather than trying to control what we cannot control, the question to fall in love with is this: God, what should I do with your life that is in me?

1. Name the last big decision you need to make. How did you make the decision, did you bring others into the process?
2. Have you ever experienced God's silence when you were faced with an important decision? Explain.
3. The premise to this series is "There is a God and God has a great plan for your life." Why do we shy away oftentimes from talking about God's plan for our lives?
4. Have you ever heard someone say in the face of a tragedy, that this is God's plan? Why is that a problem?
5. Read Colossians 3:1-3. What earthly distractions keep us from "focusing up" on Christ?
6. Pastor Jon shared the story of Lazarus being raised from the dead by Jesus. Imagine how different Lazarus's focus was after this happened to him. How might his stress and worry change?
7. What does it mean to die to our earthly sins?
8. Read Colossians 3:4. What is the difference between thinking of Christ as a component of your life vs "Christ who is your life." Why does it matter?
9. Pr. Jon mentioned that the Holy Spirit is like a 'prize inside' of you and me. When we focus on Jesus, our job is to let the prize inside come out of us every day. How will you do that this week?
10. When our focus is on Christ each day, we can rest in the peace of knowing that Christ leads us to the future he has for us. What can you do to rest in that peace?