



RIGHT IN GOD'S EYES

WEEK 5

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INTRO

EPH. 4:22-24

PUT OFF YOUR OLD SELF, WHICH BELONGS TO YOUR FORMER MANNER OF LIFE AND IS CORRUPT THROUGH DECEITFUL DESIRES, AND TO BE RENEWED IN THE SPIRIT OF YOUR MINDS, AND TO PUT ON THE NEW SELF, CREATED AFTER THE LIKENESS OF GOD IN TRUE RIGHTEOUSNESS AND HOLINESS.

BIG IDEA

BEING A GOOD MAN MEANS CULTIVATING GODLY HABITS IN OUR LIVES. GOD IS SOVEREIGN, & HE CALLS US TO TRUST AND OBEY AS WE RESIST SIN IN OUR LIVES.

REFLECT

- Q1 WHAT DO YOU THINK IT MEANS TO ACTUALLY BE A GOOD MAN?
- Q2 HOW DOES THIS COMPARE TO THE GODLY HABITS THE BIBLE TEACHES US TO CULTIVATE?
- Q3 WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE AN "AGENT, FIRST AND LAST"? HOW DOES THIS PLAY OUT IN DAILY LIFE?

RESPOND

SITUATION

A FRIEND HAS RECENTLY ATTENDED A DISTANT FAMILY MEMBER'S FUNERAL AND HAVE BEEN SHAKEN UP BY THE PROSPECT OF THEIR OWN DEATH. THEY HAVE NOT CONSIDERED VERY MUCH THAT THEY WILL DIE. LIFE SUDDENLY FEELS VERY TEMPORARY AND - THEY SHARE "MEANINGLESS". TRYING TO HELP THEIR HEART FEEL AT PEACE, THEY TRY TO REASON THAT THEY ARE A "GOOD PERSON" AND THAT THEY "DO THEIR BEST NOT TO HURT ANYONE ELSE". AND YET, THEY STILL FEEL UNCERTAIN AND ARE IN DISTRESS ABOUT LIFE'S ENDING.

A. WHAT ASSUMPTIONS IS YOUR FRIEND MAKING ABOUT LIFE AND DEATH? ABOUT GOODNESS AND EVIL?

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RESPOND

B. WHAT ARE THE MOST SIGNIFICANT THINGS YOU HOPE TO HELP YOUR FRIEND WITH? HOW DO YOU ASSESS WHAT TO ADDRESS FIRST, SECOND, THIRD?

C. HOW DOES THIS INVOLVE THE GOSPEL?

TO PURSUE WISDOM AND VIRTUE, WE NOT ONLY MUST KNOW AND DO WHAT IS RIGHT, BUT BECOME GOOD. WE TRUST THAT AS GOD WORKS IN US - FIRST THROUGH ACCEPTING THE GOOD NEWS AS THE MOST IMPORTANT DECISION WE GET TO MAKE. FROM THERE, WE TAKE STEPS TO BE, KNOW, DO, AND LOVE WHAT GOD HAS CALLED US TO. IN THIS, WE ARE SHAPED - FROM ONE DEGREE TO ANOTHER - INTO MEN AFTER GOD'S OWN HEART.

WHEN YOU THINK OF THE 3 CATEGORIES OF "AGENT", "ACTION", & "AFTERMATH", WHICH ONE RESONATES WITH YOU MOST?

WHERE IN LIFE DO YOU FEEL MOST LIKE A "VICTIM"? WHAT IS IT LIKE FOR YOU TO FIND PEACE IN THIS CIRCUMSTANCE? IN WHAT WAYS DO YOU KEEP MOVING FORWARD?

DO YOU TEND TO THINK OF YOURSELF AS A GOOD PERSON? WHY OR WHY NOT? WHEN YOU IMAGINE LOOKING BACK ON YOUR LIFE, WHAT DO YOU HOPE PEOPLE WILL REMEMBER ABOUT YOU?