



SUMMARY:

At TC we believe that disciples of Jesus grow in 5 characteristics: worship, connect, serve, give, and invite. Throughout this series we will take a look at each of these characteristics so that we can discover how we can grow as Christ-followers. This is called spiritual formation or discipleship.

In this sermon, Pastor Derwin talked about how we can grow by worshiping (loving God completely). Have you ever thought about what our chief problem is? You may think it's sin, but it's actually idolatry. An idol is anyone or anything from which we derive ultimate love, identity, value, and purpose. Idolatry deforms us because we become like our idol. When we worship God, however, we become more like Jesus: holy, humble, and happy. We can combat lies with Gospel-truth.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

What comes to mind when you think about the word "worship"?

At TC we say that all of life is worship. What are the ways we worship in our everyday lives?

Read Galatians 4:19.

- What is the Apostle Paul's ultimate hope for the Galatians (and for us)?
- Pastor Derwin said when we worship Jesus we become like Him: holy, humble and happy. What does it mean to be holy? Humble? Happy?

Read Luke 15:3-7.

- Have you ever lost something that was precious to you? How did you feel when you lost it?
- Have you ever found something precious you thought was lost? How did you feel when you found it?
- How do you think Jesus felt when He found you?

Read Ephesians 4:20-24.

- What does it mean to "put on the new self"?
- What are some differences between your former self and your new self?

Read Philippians 2:3-8.

- According to these verses, what does a genuinely human person do?

Read Romans 12:1-2.

- According to these verses, what is your true worship?

Soul Tattoo: Love God completely.

Action Step: Meditate on and pray Ephesians 3:16-19 every day this week (Morning, Noon, Night).

I pray that He may grant you, according to the riches of His glory, to be strengthened with power in your inner being through His Spirit, 17 and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. I pray that you, being rooted and firmly established in love, 18 may be able to comprehend with all the saints what is the length and width, height and depth of God's love, 19 and to know Christ's love that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. Ephesians 3:16-19 CSB

At Transformation Church, we have a disciple-making culture that you get to participate in as well. In fact, we need you to participate in it so that we can continue to make disciples together. Learn more about the 5 characteristics and your next step here:

<https://transformationchurch.tc/disciple-making-culture/>