

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 continued from last week's message about worship by drawing our attention to how we grow by loving ourselves correctly. We learn to love ourselves correctly when we recognize that our true identity can only be built on Jesus Christ. We are not the center of the universe. It is only after seeing Jesus at the center as the object of our worship that we can rightly see ourselves as God sees us.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

At TC, we say that all of life is worship. What are some ways we can worship in our everyday lives? What does worship tell you about how God sees you?

Read John 10:10.

- Why does Jesus say that He has come?
- What does having "a life to the full" mean to you?

Read 1 Corinthians 1:30.

- What does "united with Christ" mean?
- How does this verse shape your understanding of Jesus' saving work?
- What does this verse tell you about God that informs your worship of Him?

Read 2 Corinthians 5:21.

- You are the righteousness of God. What does that mean?
- What power does sin have to condemn those who are made righteous? (see also Romans 8:1)
- If God says something is true about you, why is it hard for you to believe it for yourself?

Re-read 1 Corinthians 1:30.

- What is something that you think of as pure? As holy?
- Do you believe God has made you pure and holy?

• When we pay for something, there can be a range of emotions that go along with that purchase. When Jesus paid the price to free us from sin, what emotion do you imagine He felt? Why?

Soul Tattoo: Love yourself correctly.

Action Step: When you struggle to believe what God has said about you this week, reread 1 Corinthians 1:30.

God has united you with Christ Jesus. For our benefit God made Him to be wisdom itself. Christ made us right with God; He made us pure and holy, and He freed us from sin. 1 Corinthians 1:30 NLT

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