



Series: Refined

Sermon: Part 2: Called To Be Different

Date: Sunday, February 23rd, 2025

This means that anyone who belongs to Christ has become a new person. The old life is gone; a new life has begun! (2 Corinthians 5:17 NLT)

With Jesus we are not reformed, rehabilitated, or reeducated, but instead we are recreated, meaning we are _____ creations in Jesus.

So now there is no condemnation for those who belong to Christ Jesus. (Romans 8:1 NLT)

So prepare your minds for action and exercise self-control. Put all your hope in the gracious salvation that will come to you when Jesus Christ is revealed to the world. (1 Peter 1:13 NLT)

Peter Tells Believers:

1. Prepare your minds for action

The more we exercise our faith, the more we trust Him with our life and the more we look like Jesus.

2. Exercise self-control

3. Put all your hope in the gracious salvation that will come to you when Jesus Christ is revealed to the world

So you must live as God's obedient children. Don't slip back into your old ways of living to satisfy your own desires. You didn't know any better then. But now you must be holy in everything you do, just as God who chose you is holy. For the Scriptures say, "You must be holy because I am holy." (1 Peter 1:14-16 NLT)

"Our heart is only as trustworthy as what controls it. If God controls our heart then our heart is trustworthy. But if sin controls our heart then our passions will lead us away from God." (Pastor Paul Tripp)

_____ : "Set apart, different, or dedicated for a specific purpose"

And remember that the Heavenly Father to whom you pray has no favorites. He will judge or reward you according to what you do. So you must live in reverent fear of Him during your time here as "temporary residents." (1 Peter 1:17 NLT)

Reverent fear refers to a healthy _____ for God.



Scripture referenced in sermon message: 1 Peter 1:18-25 NLT

What is Eternal and Lasts Forever?

1. _____

2. The _____ of God

When it comes to spiritual growth, the Word of God is necessary but so is having God’s people walking with us in relationship.

It is impossible to _____ spiritually without the Word of God and it is impossible to mature spiritually without God’s people.

It is with others that we are able to exercise our faith as we serve each other, learn to love and forgive each other, and be on mission with each other.

Bottom Line: *If we are going to reflect God’s holiness and live differently in a world that is so far from God, then it requires us to both study the Word of God and be in relationship with God’s people.*

Questions to reflect on this week or with others:

1. *If God says that there is now no more condemnation for those who belong to Christ Jesus, then what makes it hard for you to believe and even live this truth out in your own life? Name a specific area in your life where this is a struggle for you.*
2. *What does it mean to show sincere love and to love with all your heart? What does this look like practically with the people around you?*
3. *How have you seen the Word of God and community work together to help you grow in your faith? How are you currently cultivating your faith and trust in God by doing both?*
4. *What does it mean that God has called you to bring His hope and redemption to this world? What does this look like for you practically with the environments that God has you in?*

Songs used in service: *Holy Forever (Chris Tomlin), Behold The Lamb (Passion & Kristian Stanfill), The Jesus Way (Phil Wickham), Build My Life Pat Barrett*

Any prayer requests?

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What can we be praying for you about?