Message Date: December 29, 2024
Message Text: Galatians 2:19-21
Message Title: The Christ Life
Big Idea: Christ life is the constant connection and reorientation toward Christ's way of being in the world.

Questions:

1. Think of someone, like Nate's friend Gary, who is so reliant on God that their peace and contentment is unrelated to their circumstances. What is unique about their posture?
2. How have your beliefs shaped what you want in life? How has having a life in Christ changed your desires?
3. Read Galatians 2:19-21. Share about a time you allowed your past to be crucified with Christ. What was it like when you were dragging it around with you? How did you feel when you were released from it?
4. One translation of Galatians 2:19-21 (New Testament for Everyone) allows us to see the lack of power we have in our own redemption because Jesus's faithfulness is the reason we are saved. What impact does your ability to have salvation, despite any lack of faith and sinfulness, have on the way you desire to respond to God?

"[19] Let me explain it like this. Through the law I died to the law, so that I might live to God. I have been crucified with the Messiah. [20] I am, however, alive—but it isn't me any longer, it's the Messiah who lives in me. And the life I do still live in the flesh, I live within the faithfulness of the son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me. [21] I don't set aside God's grace. If "righteousness" comes through the law, then the Messiah died for nothing." - Galatians 2:19-21, New Testament for Everyone

5. How have you experienced the freedom and forgiveness of Christ from your past wrongs? What does it look like to extend that same grace to others, especially those who have wronged you?
6. When we respond to Jesus' faithfulness, our life becomes a response to what God has done. This life brings shalom (nothing is missing; complete peace). How will you pursue a life of shalom moving forward?
7. How can living the Christ life make you view every moment, good or bad, as a gift from God and less about what you have done?

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NATE GRUBER · GALATIANS 2:19-21 · *The Christ Life*

The Gospel is
GOOD NEWS

LIVING IN THE GOSPEL IS:

SHALOM *means*
NOTHING IS MISSING.

PERSONAL LAW
PERSONAL RIGHTEOUSNESS

- Inconsistent and unable to give LIFE.
- Dangerous to try and apply to other people.

leads to CANCELLATION *and destruction.*

CHRIST'S LIFE
CHRIST'S RIGHTEOUSNESS

- Your past was CRUCIFIED with Christ - it's gone!
- He sacrificed for us before we knew Him.

leads to living in CHRIST, *and every moment is a gift.*

CHRIST LIFE is the constant connection and reorienting toward CHRIST's way of being in the world.

HOW? TALK WITH CHRIST DAILY. ASK HIM TO *Surprise* YOU!

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