



BREAKING THE ICE

Have you always been a Titans fan or did you jump on the bandwagon? 😊

What has God already started teaching you this year?

MAIN CONTENT

Last week Pastor Kevin talked about repentance and the things that keep us from fully engaging God.

1. Did you have an opportunity to ask God what has been keeping you from Him in the last week?
2. Were you able to confess those things to God and others? Were you able to let go of those things?

This week, Pastor Kevin continued to talk about repentance and salvation in week 2 of the Made series. Repentance is when you come home to God to be who you were created to be. Repentance can have a negative connotation but repentance is truly meant to bring you closer to Jesus.

Salvation happens in a moment; when you repent and are set free from sin. You find salvation through repentance. When we repent and come home to Jesus, it does not have to be a crisis moment (a time of stress or a big emotional situation). It can just be a moment where you realize you need Him.

3. If and when you came to Jesus, was it during a crisis moment? How did you come to find & choose Jesus?

God wants us to be close, as close as we want to be to Him. He will always be close to us. He invites us to that closeness but it's our choice to engage it. James 4:8 says, "Draw near to God and He will draw near to you."

4. What keeps you from drawing near to God?

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There is nothing that can keep you from God and His love. He wants to meet you at any time, any place. He just wants to spend time with you.

5. When do you like to meet with God? What are the reasons you choose to meet with God at that time?

It doesn't matter to God when we meet with Him, He just wants to meet with us. When we spend time with God, we get to know who He is. And when we know who God is, we can know who we are. When we know who we are, we know what God created us to do.

How we see and know God helps us shape what we believe about ourselves. You can choose to listen to what God says about you, or you can choose the voices of the world.

6. Do you have a vision of how God sees you or do you let others tell you who you were created to be? Why?

Read Ephesians 2:1-10

7. What stands out to you the most in this scripture?

God is rich in mercy and great in love. He made you in His handiwork and He has created you to do good works with Him.

His salvation is a gift; it's a moment in time where we can just receive the gift and rest in it. It's important that we know that we believe our way into salvation, we don't have to behave our way into it. It's about what Jesus has done for us, not what we have to do to earn it.

8. What makes it difficult for you to receive salvation as a gift in your life?

After we receive our salvation, God starts working with us, through His spirit to do His work. This process is called sanctification. During sanctification, God will use circumstances in our lives to help us to become more like Jesus.

9. Where do you see sanctification happening in your life?

PRAYER

Thank you, God, for your Son and the gift of salvation freely given to us. Thank you that we do not have to earn salvation and that it's ours for the keeping. Help us draw closer to you as we have received you as a gift and not have to perform our way into receiving your love. We ask that your Holy Spirit guide us to help us walk out what you want to do in our lives. Amen

ACTION STEP

Take some time this week to read through Ephesians 2:1-10 (the card that was handed out at the end of service).

1. Which scripture is speaking to you the most from this selection and why?
2. What are you drawing closer to (friends, God, family, significant other, social media, things that let you shut out the world)?
3. How does drawing near to these things affect your life?