



WONDER US

Week 2

BREAKING THE ICE

What is one value that must be present in any relationship you have?

What vocation do you think requires a lot of integrity?

MAIN CONTENT

This week Pastor Kevin continued our "Wonder Us" series talking about wonder and integrity. Wonder is bigger and better than we think. To have wonderful relationships we need to have wonder. Wonder in a relationship looks like light, passion, joy and hope in people's hearts.

1. What relationships in your life are full of wonder (light, passion, joy and hope)?

God is full of wonder. He is bigger and better than we think or imagine. Last week Annie F. Downs talked about how humility is needed to have wonderful relationships. This week, Pastor Kevin taught us that having integrity is crucial in a wonderful relationship.

Read Romans 12:1-2

2. Out of all your relationships, who has integrity that is inspiring?

To have integrity we have to be a complete (whole) person, to have an undivided life and heart. It's not just telling the truth it's being truthful. Integrity is not the same as perfection; integrity is a process of living an integrated life being the same in all areas of our lives.

When we live a life where we are not the same in all areas of our life, we lack integrity which makes us live a non-integrated life.

3. Are you the same person in all areas of your life? How do you practically live an integrated life?

When we become followers of Jesus, we should live an integrated life. A life where we are the same everywhere we go. We choose to live an integrated life so that people can see Jesus in us in every aspect of our lives.

Read Proverbs 11:3

Pastor Craig Groeschel once said, "The great enemy of our life is compartmentalization". When we live a compartmentalized life, we are constantly looking over our shoulders. We can't keep up with who we are in different situations.

4. Where do you need to de-compartmentalize your life to better live an integrated life?

Jesus wants to be Lord over all of our lives: personal, spiritual, professional, social, online, family and friendships. In order to live an integrated life, Paul says to offer our bodies as living sacrifices. When we live our lives as living sacrifices we give our lives every day to Jesus, asking and walking out what He has called us to do.

5. Do you currently give your life to Jesus every day? What would it look like for you to offer your life every day to Jesus?

The second thing we need to do in order to live an integrated life is we have to own our mistakes. Owning our mistakes looks like confessing, repenting and asking God to help us live a life that is integrated with Him.

When we don't repent and pretend to be someone different, we live a life of duplicity. Duplicity is when we pretend to be someone else. When we live a life with duplicity, other people will end up loving the "masked" version of ourselves, not the real one.

6. Who is the real you? Where have you been putting on a mask in your life?

The third thing we need to live an integrated life is to be transformed by the renewing of our minds. To renew our minds it looks like reading the Bible to better understand how to be more like Jesus. Renewing our minds also looks like surrounding ourselves with people that can love us fully for who we are. People who challenge us to be the best version of ourselves with Jesus at the center.

7. Who can you be fully yourself with? What relationships in your life help you renew your mind?

8. How can you practice renewing your mind?

CLOSING PRAYER

CGod, thank you for who you are and for loving us just as we are. Help us to take steps to live a life of integrity and to be the same person in every area of our lives. Will you please show us where our lives have duplicity? Holy Spirit, convict us to live our lives as a living sacrifice, confessing and repenting of where we are not living a life of integrity and placing people in our lives that can help us renew our minds with your Word. We love you and we are thankful for who you are in our lives. Amen.

ACTION STEP

- + What area of your life do you need to practice integrity? Do that this week and have a group member keep you accountable in the ways you decide.
- + Who is one person you know that has a lot of integrity? Send them a text, email or even a handwritten note this week to tell them what you see and value in them, and in your relationship with them.
- + Practice giving your life to Christ every day, confessing to trusted people and repenting about where you have duplicity in your life. Ask God to help renew your mind with His words and His people.
- + This week is Serve the City! We can't wait to serve with you and your group. Go to <https://crosspoint.tv/local-good/> to sign-up for a project with your group and let's love our neighbors together!