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Message Series: Getting Real (Lifechange) in 2018

Todays' Message: The Key To Change

Philippians 2:12, 13 "... continue to work out your salvation with fear and trembling. For it is God Who works in you to will and to act..."

Philippians 3:8, 10 "... I consider everything a loss compared to the surpassing greatness of knowing <u>Christ Jesus my Lord</u>... I want <u>to know Christ</u> and the power of His resurrection..."

<u>Deuteronomy 30:11, 16, 17, 18</u> "Now what I am commanding you today <u>is not too difficult for you</u> or beyond your reach... to love the Lord your God, to walk in His ways... and the Lord will bless you... But if your heart turns away... you will certainly be destroyed..."

The Key To Change

#1. Two Truths to:
1. "What comes into <u>our minds</u> when we about God is the <u>most important</u> thing <u>about</u> us The idolater simply things about God and <u>acts if they were true</u> ." ~Tozer
Romans 1:21
2. When we see God as He truly is—we become motivated and empowered to be more intimately to Him.
Psalm 107:1 "Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; His faithful love endures forever."
* Hebrew: "checed" - a <u>love</u> of <u>covenant</u> , <u>commitment</u> ,
Psalm 34:8 "Taste and see that the Lord is good"
#2. Three Big Reasons To The Bible.
1. We don't just read the Bible—the Bible!!
<u>Hebrews 4:12, 13</u> "For the word of God is <u>living</u> and <u>active</u> . Sharper than any two-edged sword, it penetrates, even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the <u>thoughts</u> and <u>attitudes</u> of <u>the heart</u> . <u>Nothing</u> in all creation <u>is hidden</u> from <u>God's sight</u> "
2. "A Bible that's <u>falling apart</u> usually belongs to <u>someone</u> who" ~Spurgeon
<u>Jeremiah 11:10</u> "They have <u>returned to the sins</u> of their forefathers, <u>who refused to listen to My words</u> .
The Goal: Not just Bible knowledge, but rather to to <u>recognize</u> and <u>respond</u> to your heavenly Father's voice <u>so you can grow</u> in <u>intimacy with Him</u> .
Get This: The Holy Spirit " <u>quickens</u> " - the difference between <u>information</u> and <u>transformation</u> , the Holy Spirit moves to resurrect us.
Romans 8:11

Psalm 71:20, 119:107, 154

3. We Get To Transfer Gods Everlasting Promises to Ourselves!
<u>Isaiah 40:8</u> "The grass withers and the flowers fall, but the <u>word of our God stands forever</u>."
<u>2 Corinthians 1:20</u> "No matter how many promises God made, they are "<u>Yes</u> in <u>Christ</u>."

- * Read It
- * Meditate
- * Pray It