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LIFEgroup Homework

For the week of: April 9, 2017

Speaker: Pastor Scott Rodgers, "Living Proof"

GETTING TO KNOW YOU

1. It's been said that you never have a second chance to make a first impression. What is the WORST first impression you have ever made on someone?

2. Have you ever decided not to return to a business because of your first experience with them? Why?

QUICK REVIEW

Looking back at your notes from this week's teaching, was there anything that particularly caught your attention, challenged or confused you?

DIGGING DEEPER

Coming off the heels of a great series - 'EveryONE,' and right before Easter, the challenge is that it's all our responsibility to love well the people who come to CS and those that come into our lives. We do our best to create a great FIRST IMPRESSION through engaging teaching, great worship, vibrant ministries, etc., but the real LASTING IMPRESSION people have usually come from answering this question, 'Do I believe these people love me?' That's where 'I love my church because I'm loved by my church,' comes in.

1. Read the following verses. What do they all have in common?

James 2:1-9

James 28:9

Hebrews 10:24

Proverbs 27:17

Galatians 6:2

Acts 2:42

2. Scott stated that, "Favoritism is about self-preservation and love is about sacrifice." Surely, we can see how this is true within a marriage. How is this true with the people we come into contact daily?
3. In the final week of Jesus' life, He was asked by a group of Pharisees what the greatest commandment is. Read Matthew 22:37. How does this apply to Scott's message of inclusion?
4. Read Galatians 5:14 and Matthew 5:43-48. According to these scriptures, who are we to not only include in our church family but to love as well?

What circumstance makes this difficult?

5. If your church removed the music and the programs, what would bring you back?

How important have relationships been to you in your spiritual growth?

TAKING IT HOME

1. Who can you reach out this week and make a connection with?
2. Who will you invite to Easter Services?

Prayer Requests:

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