

Bay City Wesleyan Church
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Sunday Morning 10-13-2019

Teaching Series: LIVE REAL - Making Room for Jesus's Priorities

When you surrender your life to Jesus, he will guide you to conviction concerning your priorities. He will set you free from a life of disconnection and empower you to live with tangible wholeness.

<http://bible.com/events/1348830>
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1 Corinthians 15:1-11 MSG

<small>1-2</small> Friends, let me go over the Message with you one final time—this Message that I proclaimed and that you made your own; this Message on which you took your stand and by which your life has been saved. (I'm assuming, now, that your belief was the real thing and not a passing fancy, that you're in this for good and holding fast.) <small>3-9</small> The first thing I did was place before you what was placed so emphatically before me: that the Messiah died for our sins, exactly as Scripture tells it; that he was buried; that he was raised from death on the third day, again exactly as Scripture says; that he presented himself alive to Peter, then to his closest followers, and later to more than five hundred of his followers all at the same time, most of them still around (although a few have since died); that he then spent time with James and the rest of those he commissioned to represent him; and that he finally presented himself alive to me . It was fitting that I bring up the rear. I don't deserve to be included in that inner circle, as you well know, having spent all those early years trying my best to stamp God's church right out of existence. <small>10-11</small> But because God was so gracious, so very generous, here I am. And I'm not about to let his grace go to waste. Haven't I worked hard trying to do more than any of the others? Even then, my work didn't amount to all that much. It was God giving me the work to do, God giving me the energy to do it. So whether you heard it from me or from those others, it's all the same: We spoke God's truth and you entrusted your lives.

<https://bible.com/bible/97/1co.15.1-11.MSG>

Colossians 1:15-20 NLT

<small>15</small> Christ is the visible image of the invisible God. He existed before anything was created and is supreme over all creation, <small>16</small> for through him God created everything in the heavenly realms and on earth. He made the things we can see and the things we can't see— such as thrones, kingdoms, rulers, and authorities in the unseen world. Everything was created through him and for him. <small>17</small> He existed before anything else, and he holds all creation together. <small>18</small> Christ is also the head of the church, which is his body. He is the beginning, supreme over all who rise from the dead. So he is first in everything. <small>19</small> For God in all his fullness was pleased to live in Christ, <small><font

color="#999999">20</small> and through him God reconciled everything to himself. He made peace with everything in heaven and on earth by means of Christ's blood on the cross.
<https://bible.com/bible/116/col.1.15-20.NLT>

Romans 12:3-8 NET

<small>3</small> For by the grace given to me I say to every one of you not to think more highly of yourself than you ought to think, but to think with sober discernment, as God has distributed to each of you a measure of faith. <small>4</small> For just as in one body we have many members, and not all the members serve the same function, <small>5</small> so we who are many are one body in Christ, and individually we are members who belong to one another. <small>6</small> And we have different gifts according to the grace given to us. If the gift is prophecy, that individual must use it in proportion to his faith. <small>7</small> If it is service, he must serve; if it is teaching, he must teach; <small>8</small> if it is exhortation, he must exhort; if it is contributing, he must do so with sincerity; if it is leadership, he must do so with diligence; if it is showing mercy, he must do so with cheerfulness.
<https://bible.com/bible/107/rom.12.3-8.NET>

Romans 12:3 MSG

<small>3</small> I'm speaking to you out of deep gratitude for all that God has given me, and especially as I have responsibilities in relation to you. Living then, as every one of you does, in pure grace, it's important that you not misinterpret yourselves as people who are bringing this goodness to God. No, God brings it all to you. The only accurate way to understand ourselves is by what God is and by what he does for us, not by what we are and what we do for him.
<https://bible.com/bible/97/rom.12.3.MSG>

Sermon in a Sentence:

It's about you but it's not all about you.