

THE FALSE GOSPEL OF “EXPRESSIVE INDIVIDUALISM”

CREATION: A true self, full of intrinsic glory & goodness, unhindered and without limits - free and independent

FALL: Failure of others, traditions, expectations, religion, trauma, suffering, self-limiting narratives boxed in

REDEMPTION: Journey of Self Discovery, overcome limits, reject constrictive traditions, heal, find True Self

DISCIPLESHIP: Living true to Self, express “real me”, pursue pleasure, avoid difficulty, make sure others affirm

SIN: Anything that hinders the true self - spouse, kids, career, low self-esteem, difficulty, lack of pleasure

HOPE: Get all pleasures, accolades, achievements, experiences you can from this life - all there really is!

THE TRUE GOSPEL

CREATION: Made in image of God, have a dependent and reflective glory, belonging to God body & soul, glory

FALL: Mistrust of God, claim independence and rebel against God, establish Self without limits or responsibilities

REDEMPTION: God comes for us, suffers for us, forgives sin - graciously gives rock solid ID, adopts us, purpose!

DISCIPLESHIP: Confession of sin & need, receiving grace, living from new ID, coming under lordship & purpose

SIN: Doubting God’s love for us, living contrary to his design & intention, refusing his empowering lordship

HOPE: Glorious future renewal of all things, frees us to lose, sacrifice, give generously, lift others up - all is gain!