

THE WAY | GENEROSITY

SERMON-BASED QUESTIONS

FEBRUARY 21, 2021

MY STORY

1. How would you describe your pace of life?

2. What takes up most of your time?

IN REVIEW

From last week's "Taking it Home" section, how did your letter to Jesus turn out? What did you notice as you wrote your letter? From James 1:22, what is something you did, or can do, to put all of this into practical action steps?

DIGGING DEEPER

1. Pastor Owen spoke about being generous with our time. Have you ever looked at your time as something to be generous with? Explain.

2. Read Ephesians 5:15-17 and answer the following questions:
 - a. What part of those verses catches your attention first? Why?

 - b. What are the "opportunities" that Paul is speaking of?

 - c. Reread verse 17. Do you pursue God's will for your life or do you pursue your desires? Explain.

CALL TO ACTION | GOD'S WILL: Choose one thing that you will do daily to understand God's will for you. Commit to making that part of your daily routine for the next week.

3. Read Philippians 3:7-15 and answer the following questions:
 - a. How would you describe Paul's drive to know and please Jesus? Is that drive possible in your life? Why or why not? What stops your pursuit of Jesus?

 - b. In verses 7-8, Paul talks about profit, gain, and loss. What things does the world consider profitable to gain? What things are a loss in the world's eye?

 - c. Reread verse 13. What things do you need to "forget" in order to move forward and deepen your relationship with God?

 - d. How much time do you spend with God on a typical day? Are you satisfied with the amount of time you spend with God? If you are not, what will you do to change that?

CALL TO ACTION | TIME WITH GOD: Choose a realistic amount of time that you will commit to set aside daily to "press on toward the goal" of knowing Christ better. Commit to this by calling or texting your group during the week to encourage each other and keep each other accountable in this pursuit.

TAKING IT HOME

4. In one or two sentences, how are you going to practically put the "Call To Action" sections from above into practice this week?

CALL TO ACTION | GOD'S WILL:

CALL TO ACTION | TIME WITH GOD: