

Peoples Church
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GOD'S CHARACTER
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Looking Back:

OUR VISION

“Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.” - Hebrews 13:8

In different kinds of environments, we can act differently. In the midst of all the inconsistencies in this world, we serve a God that is constant and faithful. The character of God has never changed.

1. God's nature revolves around his _____ for us.

Our world is all about "how does that make you feel?" Love isn't about emotion or feelings, it has always been a decision that we make.

God loves us because He chose us. He gives us the gift of choosing Him.

Jeremiah 31:33-34

“This is the covenant I will make with the people of Israel after that time,” declares the LORD. “I will put my law in their minds and write it on their hearts. I will be their God, and they will be my people. No longer will they teach their neighbor, or say to one another, ‘Know the LORD,’ because they will all know me, from the least of them to the greatest,” declares the LORD. “For I will forgive their wickedness and will remember their sins no more.”

Digging Deeper:

BE AWARE OF THE TEMPORAL, BUT FOCUS ON THE ETERNAL.

2. Do we have a temporal focus?

Be aware of what's going on in our world but focus on the eternal. God's love and power will overcome any situation.

3. When we keep eternity as our focus, how does that change our actions?

Eternity must be our frame of reference. The church today produces more Facebook warriors than prayer warriors.

4. Laws will never have the power to overcome this human condition, why?

The human condition is only overcome by one thing, by making a decision to follow Jesus.

Taking it Home:

Matt 28:18

THE GREAT COMMISSION IS STILL OUR MANDATE.

5. “Go and make disciples” is a mandate given to us. What does this look like in our daily lives?

6. Can laws fix the spiritual issues of our world?

We've been given access to His power to overcome this human condition. It has always been a decision to choose Him. It seems too simple... it wasn't meant to be hard.

Jeremiah 31:33

“For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, declares the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts.”

The strategy that Jesus is speaking of is the supernatural that changes the natural, not the other way around.

Christianity should be less about behavior modification and more about life transformation.

***Bonus question**

Who did Pastor Pagan say was his favorite team?