

Talk 3: A People of Grace

Overview

On Sunday we continued to explore our first distinct value as The City Church which is 'We enjoy encountering the grace and power of our Father God everyday.'

The second aspect of this value that we looked at is that we are called to be a people of grace. That In Christ we have underserved favour, the scriptures teach us that because of our sin we deserved death and judgement but because of God's grace we have been given life and favour. Grace is key for us as a church not just at the point of salvation but for our whole lives, the doctrine of grace shapes how we relate to God ongoingly and how we relate to others too.

Scripture

Romans 5:12-21

Questions

1. Read through verses 12-14 what does this teach us about our position outside of Christ? How does this truth impact your approach towards grace?
2. Why do you think Paul emphasises 4 times 2 verses (verses 15&16) that grace is a free gift?
3. What obstacles do you think we may face to living in grace?
4. What do you think Paul means by 'reign in life' in verse 17? Is that the reality of your life?
5. How do you think the doctrine of grace impacts our relationship with other and how does this shape our inviting?