

Jesus is bigger than any other possession

SMALL GROUP NOTES

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Outline

On Sunday Tom looked at the topic of Jesus as Bigger than any other Possession. In Hebrews 10v34 you see the incredible description of these Christians; “you joyfully accepted the plundering of your property, since you had a better possession and an abiding one. Therefore do not throw away your confidence, which has a great reward” This extraordinary picture of a people so much more aware of Jesus the better possession rather than any other possession was our central focus. How on earth do we become a people like that? How can Jesus become so big in our hearts that we can accept it when God allows the taking away of things precious to us? The way that we become a verse 34 person is all to do with confidence. That’s why he says don’t throw it away i.e. we have to have extraordinary confidence in Jesus as a better possession if we’re going to allow the other things to be taken away and be remotely joyful about it. There are two keys to this confidence:

1. Draw near (verse 22)
2. Stay near (hold fast) (verse 23)
 - a. through confession
 - b. through communion

Read Hebrews 10 v 19 – 25.

Questions for discussion

- 1) What is there in your life that you are drawing near to apart from Christ?
- 2) How can we grow at being those that draw near to Jesus?
- 3) What challenges do you face to staying in Christ & how can we overcome them?
- 4) Why is it important that we give ourselves to Gods community & how can we help each other to live this out?

Tags

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