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WE'RE SO GLAD YOU'RE HERE!

Our mission is to help people **COME** to know Jesus as Savior, **GROW** in a relationship with Him, and **LIVE** their lives for Him.

God loves you and we pray that during the worship service you will be able to connect with Him through song, scripture, and the message.

Sunday, October 4, 2026

Series: A Different Way to Live - Jesus, Grace, and an Unoffended Life

Sermon Title: Current Location

Scripture: Ephesians 4:17-19

Speaker: Pastor Kendall Harger

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Sermon Notes
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Big Idea

The further you move from God the darker it gets.

Ephesians 4:17-19

Purpose of the Book of Ephesians:

to outline the scope of God's grace, encourage
unity among Jewish and Gentile believers, and
demonstrate what new life in Christ looks like

Gentiles: un-believing, atheists, or idol worshipers

Don't live like them any longer

How do they live?

Why have they wandered far from the life God gives?

Two reasons:

1. They have closed their minds.
2. They have hardened their hearts against Him.

Sermon Reflection & Application

Icebreaker

What's a trend or popular thing you tried because "everyone was doing it" - and then wondered what you were thinking?

Questions

1. Pastor Kendall opened by describing how life can get "complicated, messy, and downright ugly." What is one area of your life right now where that description feels accurate?
2. When you hear the phrase "an unoffended life," what is your honest first reaction? Does it sound possible, naive, or something else entirely?
3. Read Ephesians 4:17-19. In your own words, what is the difference between a closed mind and hardened heart? Can one happen without the other?
4. Pastor Kendall described a closed mind this way: denial of God, moral failures, and the attitude of "I'm going to live my life the way I want to." Where do you see that posture showing up in the culture around you? Where have you seen it show up in yourself?
5. What kinds of repeated choices or habits do you think contribute to a heart growing hard toward God?
6. What has been a "candle in the cave" moment in your own spiritual journey, a moment when a little light changed a lot?
7. How do we take seriously the call to live differently while remaining compassionate toward people who are far from God? (not live as unbelievers and at the same time not look down on others).
8. This series is built around the idea that we can be free from shame, a closed mind, a hard heart...and able to have our minds filled with light. What would need to change in your daily life for that to become more of a reality?

Applications

1. Identify one area where your heart has grown a little callous, whether toward God, toward a person, or toward conviction. Spend time this week asking God to soften that specific area.
2. Pay attention to what you are feeding your mind this week: news, social media, conversations, entertainment. Ask honestly whether those inputs are bringing more light or more darkness into your thinking.