



Week 2 God Wants me to be Happy

3.25.20

Do your best to keep all of your answers to about 30-60 seconds.

Please be respectful in listening to others and in honoring their time.

Galatians 5:1 MSG

Christ has set us free to live a free life. So take your stand!

Never again let anyone put a harness of slavery on you.

1. What is something that makes you really happy?

2. Being honest, do you more often think of God saying “You are free” or “You must not”?
 - How did you come to this conclusion?

3. If Jesus says his purpose is to give rich and satisfying life, why do you think we are so often hesitant to trust Him or do life His way.
 - Do you think the parent/child example is fitting for our relationship with God?
 - Have you ever seen this play out in your life (where you thought you wanted something but God had a different plan that was ultimately more satisfying)?

4. God’s original design in the Garden of Eden had 2 Trees:
 - A) The Tree of Life
 - B) The Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil
 - Every day, Adam and Eve would need to choose which tree to eat from. They had to choose to trust God or to try and figure out what was best and would make them happy on their own.
 - How do you see this choice still active in your life?

5. God originally designed the world to be refreshed from streams within. Jesus spoke of this principle being true for our soul as well. However, we often chase life and happiness by creating “cisterns” (perfection, control, possessions, addictions, acceptance, etc.) and hoping to get some outside source to refresh our soul.
 - What “cistern” do you most often run to in your life?
 - How could you take a step this week to turn from that way of trying to find happiness and instead take a step toward God to find satisfying life?