

Luke 24:1-9 Philippians 1:21-27

"Seeking life in dead places"
Pastor Tyler Grove
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Discuss:

- 1. What surprises you about this account from Luke?
- 2. What was the rebuke from the angels for the women?
- 3. What were they forgetting?
- 4. Are you seeking to find life in dead places? In what ways? Why do we do this?
- 5. Pastor Tyler said: "Don't just play church.. don't just get dressed and try to look good and have it all together, but avoid serving, or jumping into community, or avoid being real and honest with brothers and sisters."
 - a. What are the dangers in "playing church" and how do we avoid doing that?

Read

Philippians 1:21-27 and Acts 16

Discuss:

- 1. Pastor Tyler reminded us that the gospel was written to the churches.
 - a. Why does that matter?

- 2. Pastor Tyler summarized the work of Paul in Acts chapter 16. He talked about Lydia, the slave girl, and the jailer. Which of these accounts impacts you the most?
- 3. He talked about being in places where we can notice real brokenness and impact it. How could our group do that?
- 4. What did Paul mean when he said "For me, to live is Christ and to die is gain"?
- 5. What are you living for? What are you dying for?
 - a. Fill in the blanks. For me, living is _____ dying is _____.
- 6. Ray Ortlund says that "Gospel doctrine creates a gospel culture. The doctrine of grace creates a culture of grace. When the doctrine is clear and the culture is beautiful, that church will be powerful. But there are no shortcuts to getting there. Without the doctrine, the culture will be weak. Without the culture, the doctrine will seem pointless (21)."
 - a. He also shared this equation:

Gospel doctrine – gospel culture = hypocrisy

Gospel culture – gospel doctrine = fragility

Gospel doctrine + gospel culture = power

- b. How do we ensure this is happening in our church and in our community group?
- 7. What else came up during church for you this week? How can we apply this message into our daily lives