

March 4th, 2018
Sermon Notes

Growth Group Discussion

Winter

Week 6

We use these times to *grow closer to God and to one another.*

Isaiah 53:2 (NIV)

**He had no beauty or majesty to attract us to him,
nothing in his appearance that we should desire him.**

Getting to Know You

Speaking of beauty, what's the most beautiful thing you've ever experienced or seen *in nature*?

Identity-Part 2

Reflection and Discussion

1. How did the more realistic rendering of a middle-eastern Jesus make you feel when you saw it? Did you feel that Jesus looked unattractive?

2. Read Isaiah 53:2. What do you think that means about God's perspective on beauty in the big picture?

2. There's nothing wrong with wanting to feel beautiful, or take care of your body and be in shape. But when do we cross a line into something unspiritual?

3. In the first three layers of your identity, is there any area you feel like you are valuing unhealthily?

4. Do you think the general portrayal of beauty in the media has had an effect on you personally, and how does that line up with God's perspective?

5. What does "you being beautiful" mean to you? Try to be as honest as possible.

6. In what ways can admiring the outer beauty of others be healthy, and in what ways can it become an unhealthy trap?

7. This one may take some significant courage to answer in a group setting, but is there an area of your beauty you have or are elevating too highly in your identity personally? In other words, you are valuing something about your outer beauty as an inner core value.

Family Reminders

March Madness Basketball Tourney and Weekend weekend of March 9-11

Calling all volunteers! The weekend of March 10th, Jacksonville will be hosting a basketball tournament where players from our sister churches from all over the region will be coming to Jax to compete for ultimate glory! With that said, with hosting comes great responsibility. If you are interested in being a greeter, helping to serve food, helping to sign people in or are a certified Physical Therapist or Nurse, please contact Bright Meyer at 904.885.1015.

Share Your Treasures April 7th

It's Spring cleaning time! Don't be so quick to get rid of your past treasures this year. You can donate them on April 7th to members of our Church family and the surrounding community in need! More information to come.