

## SEQUOIA NOTES

### Today's Sequoia @10:10 Message...

#### Becoming Faithful Seekers

With Ryan Dawson, Lead Pastor  
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**At Sequoia we long to see thousands of people experience the Kingdom of Jesus together, wherever we live, work, play, and go.**

**What are values or spiritual underpinnings that serve as the foundation for Sequoia's vision?**

- **We will grow in devotion to God and His Word.**

Proverbs 3:1-2 "My child, never forget the things I have taught you. Store my commands in your heart. <sup>2</sup> If you do this, you will live many years, and your life will be satisfying."

- **We will grow in love and kindness.**

Proverbs 3:3-4 "Never let loyalty and kindness leave you! Tie them around your neck as a reminder. Write them deep within your heart. <sup>4</sup> Then you will find favour with both God and people, and you will earn a good reputation."

- **We will grow in faith and prayer.**

Proverbs 3:5-6 "Trust in the Lord with all your heart; do not depend on your own understanding. <sup>6</sup> Seek his will in all you do, and he will show you which path to take."

**"Don't be busy solvers but be faithful seekers!"**

- **We will grow in humility and holiness.**

Proverbs 3:7-8 "Don't be impressed with your own wisdom. Instead, fear the Lord and turn away from evil. <sup>8</sup> Then you will have healing for your body and strength for your bones."

- **We will grow in generosity.**

Proverbs 3:9-10 "Honour the Lord with your wealth and with the best part of everything you produce. <sup>10</sup> Then he will fill your barns with grain, and your vats will overflow with good wine."

- **We will grow in teachability and repentance.**

Proverbs 3:11-12 "My child, don't reject the Lord's discipline, and don't be upset when he corrects you. <sup>12</sup> For the Lord corrects those he loves, just as a father corrects a child in whom he delights."

- **Jesus Christ embodies all wisdom and He enables us to grow in Christlikeness.**

1 Corinthians 1:24-31 (NLT) "...Christ is the power of God and the wisdom of God. <sup>25</sup> This foolish plan of God is wiser than the wisest of human plans, and God's weakness is stronger than the greatest of human strength... <sup>30</sup> God has united you with Christ Jesus. For our benefit God made him to be wisdom itself. Christ made us right with God; he made us pure and holy, and he freed us from sin. <sup>31</sup> Therefore, as the Scriptures say, 'If you want to boast, boast only about the Lord.'"

**Big Idea: We will seek Christ and His Kingdom first.**

#### Action Steps:

- **Seek Christ and His Kingdom first.**

- **Remember God's vision for our church.**

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Proverbs 3:13-18 (NLT) (*italics mine*) Joyful is the person who finds [*Jesus*], the one who gains [*Jesus*]. <sup>14</sup> For [*Jesus*] is more profitable than silver, and [*his*] wages are better than gold. <sup>15</sup> [*Jesus*] is more precious than rubies; nothing you desire can compare with [*him*]. <sup>16</sup> [*Jesus*] offers you long life in [*his*] right hand, and riches and honour in [*his*] left. <sup>17</sup> [*Jesus*] will guide you down delightful paths; all [*his*] ways are satisfying. <sup>18</sup> [*Jesus*] is a tree of life to those who embrace [*him*]; happy are those who hold [*him*] tightly.



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#8 of 11 - November 22, 2020**

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