



DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

1. Was there anything about the message today that you'd like to discuss further? Anything that was particularly helpful?
2. Read about the attributes/nature of Christ in Colossians 1:15-20. If you are a Christian, do you live with an awareness that such a being lives inside you through the ministry of the Holy Spirit? How would your life change if you believed that?
3. In the OT the presence of God was often communicated as God being "with you." In the NT it is "IN YOU." What's the difference? What difference should that make in how you think and live?
4. When you realize that your life is not about YOU but about the life of CHRIST IN YOU then everything changes. What kinds of changes should that produce?
5. So much of understanding our union with Christ involves understanding the ministry of the Holy Spirit in our life. Do you feel like you have a good grasp of the person and work of the Holy Spirit? In what areas do you wish you had a clearer understanding?
6. The reality of Christ living IN US transforms every area of your life. Discuss how it impacts the following: (1) your mind, (2) your emotions, (3) your body, (4) your will, (5) your relationships, (6) your life purpose/mission.
7. In John 15, Jesus is the "true vine" meaning he provides life and creates spiritual fruit. Our job is to "bear it." What happens when we feel like it's up to us to "create fruit" instead of bearing the fruit that Christ has already made?
8. God doesn't *need* any of us but he *chooses* to work through us. How is he using you?
9. In light of today's discussion, what changes will you make in your life? How can we help you? In what ways can we pray for you?