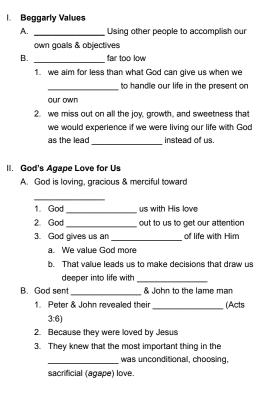
Sermon Notes May 26, 2019 - Acts 3 & 4 The Mission of God's People 5: Proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus

Summary: Our values are very important because they guide our decision-making. We often have values that lead us away from life with Jesus, but God pursues us with His love and transforms our values. As life with God becomes our greatest value, God gives us opportunities to share the gift of life with God with others.

Intro: The castaway who built a church

- A. Values
 - 1. Conflict is often about differences in _____
 - 2. Values guide our _____-making
 - Questions that can help us _____ our values:
 - a. What are some qualities, characteristics or experiences which, if we had to live without them, we would be devastated?
 - b. What are some qualities, characteristics or experiences which, if they were able to be in our life with abundance, would give us great joy and fulfillment?
 - 4. _____ our values
- B. Discovering, examining and evaluating our values is soul work. ______ is the best at doing soul work in us.
- C. Key question: Do my values lead me to make decisions that draw me away from life with Jesus, or toward a deeper life with Jesus?



C. The importance of self-giving, sacrificial

- 1. Illustration: Avengers: Endgame
- 2. What Jesus has done for us
- 3. Illustration: A Mighty Fortress (vv. 3 & 4)

III. Jesus' Love Transforms Our Values

A. John & Peter knew that the greatest gift they could

_____ the lame man was the gift they had

been given:

- 1. life in _____ with God
- 2. In His Kingdom

3. _____ His agape love

B. Peter commanded the man

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- 1. to get up & _____ in the name of Jesus
- 2. And _____ healed the man
- C. Peter & John let Jesus ______ with their values. Those values led them into a moment where they could share the Gospel of Jesus
 - 1. With a man who had been lame for _____

years

- 2. With a ______ that gathered in amazement when he was healed
- 3. With the authorities that seized Peter & John in anger
- God only knows how many people were welcomed into His family because Peter & John let Jesus love them & ______ their values

Conclusion: Let Jesus love you A. Let Him mess with your ______ B. With Jesus loving & guiding you 1. You will be able to live with ______ & purpose a. Loving God b. Loving people c. Watching for opportunities to _______ what has been given to you 2. More & more people will experience the greatest _______ they could ever receive: living life with God & His agape love. C. Application: How does this message apply to your life?