



Week 15- “A Final Invitation”

In this series we are asking the questions: Why do we not change sometimes? Why as Christians do we have a hard time growing and bearing the fruit that comes from the Gospel? We are discovering that all of us have weeds and thorns that get stuck in our hearts that are choking out the seed of the Gospel and the life and fruit in it. In this week’s message, we look at one final invitation Paul gives in the journey of seeding and weeding.

1. As you look back on the journey of seeding and weeding, where has the Holy Spirit challenged you the most?

Read Ephesians 6:18-20

Christianity teaches that real life change is not something we can make happen. We need a life source from outside of us and that life comes only from Jesus.

Read Matthew 6:9-13

2. How can prayer remind you of your need for Jesus?

3. Discuss the idea that our greatest need is not to have everything in our broken world fixed but a need to be dependent on Jesus and abide in Him.

4. Is there any resistance in your heart in the idea of dependence on Christ? If so, where do you think that is coming from?

5. How can prayer help you in this area?

6. What do you think it practically looks like to be alert?
7. How can prayer help you stay alert?
8. What do you think it practically looks like to fearlessly stand on the Gospel?
9. What does it say about God's love for you that he provided the Gospel as a true foundation to stand on?
10. How do you feel when you think about the reality that seeding and weeding never ends?
11. How can this group help you as you continue to discover the life that is found in the Gospel seed?

Will you accept Paul's invitation to seeding and weeding and allow Jesus to tend the garden of your heart? In the Gospel seed we find real life in Christ and abiding in Him gives us the courage to allow Him to pull the weeds that can keep us from the flourishing life we desire.