



THE MISSION AND VISION OF ROCKPOINT CHURCH

Week 9- “Love Chattanooga and Love One Another”

Growth in Church is a wonderful thing, however when growing is the main focus then a Church can feel messy. In this series we talk about the incredible growth we are experiencing at RockPoint and how as a Church we don't want growing to taint the mission to be a safe community where anyone can discover, develop, and deepen a relationship with Jesus. In this week's message, we explore a passage of scripture that points to something Christianity teaches so clearly that speaks into who we want to be as a church.

1. What stood out to you from the message?

Read Isaiah 58:1-12 and James 1:27

2. What does this passage say true religion is and what it is not?

True religion somehow gets us to the place where we don't look at ourselves and do things to get God to serve us. True Religion changes something in us that allows us to serve others.

3. What do you think is the difference between serving from a place that is full, rather than seeking to be filled?

4. Why is it important to evaluate this?

5. Why do you think the human heart longs for glory?

Read John 19:28-30

6. What does it say about God's heart for you that he sent Jesus to be emptied of glory so you could be filled?

Read John 7:37

7. How does the Gospel give us what we need to give and serve from a place of being filled?

8. What does it practically look like to look to the cross to help us?

9. Have you experienced the Gospel changing you that you can't help but want to share it with others in tangible ways? If so, what has that looked like?

9. What does it practically look like to serve from a place filled by the Gospel instead of from a place to earn glory?

When we experience the Gospel we can begin to serve from a place of fullness, rather than trying to earn God's favor, earn glory, or fill ourselves up. Jesus emptied himself of all glory so that we could find a glory that lasts, that allows us to shine his light in ways that can draw others to the Gospel where they too can be filled. Looking to the cross and living from a place of what Christ has done for us allows us to generously serve those around us.