

TAKE HOME SHEET



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Message: Who Am I?
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Culture (def): the set of shared attitudes, values, goals, and practices that characterize an institution or organization. [Merriam-Webster Dictionary]

Each of us who follow Jesus are now adopted members into His family, and therefore have a new way of life. There is a distinct and unique “culture” that God expects each of us to learn and live out as brothers and sisters. Not only is this new way of living and relating important for us, but it demonstrates to a watching world that what God offers really is life-changing and good. This week, we looked at three of the distinctive “heart attitudes” that God wants us to embrace and live out. See the definitions in the message notes and then answer the following questions.

Be Humble: On a scale of 1-10, how do I think I am doing with this? Is this something I show as important in how I relate to my church family and friends?

Be Authentic: On a scale of 1-10, how do I think I am doing with this? Is this something I really live out in how I am known to my church family and friends? Am I willing to be known as I really am, or do I tend to pretend?

Be Teachable: On a scale of 1-10, how do I think I am doing with this? Is this something I really live out in how I am known to my church family and friends? When was the last time I changed or adjusted my thinking on an issue as a result of learning from God’s Word?

* For extra credit, ask a trusted friend for their honest evaluation of you in these three Heart Attitudes.

BIBLE TRANSLATIONS:

NLT – New Living Translation
TLB – The Living Bible

MESSAGE NOTES



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Everyone who crosses the line of faith, and embraces Jesus as their Savior and Leader, is adopted into God's family.

⁵ God decided in advance to adopt us into his own family by bringing us to himself through Jesus Christ. This is what he wanted to do, and it gave him great pleasure. ⁶ So we praise God for the glorious grace he has poured out on us who belong to his dear Son. ⁷ He is so rich in kindness and grace that he purchased our freedom with the blood of his Son and forgave our sins. ⁸ He has showered his kindness on us, along with all wisdom and understanding.

Ephesians 1:5–8 (NLT)

We have been assigned the responsibility and privilege of inviting others to do the same.

¹⁹ Therefore, go and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. ²⁰ Teach these new disciples to obey all the commands I have given you. And be sure of this: I am with you always, even to the end of the age.

Matthew 28:19–20 (NLT)

One of our greatest assets – and liabilities - in accomplishing this assignment is how we treat each other.

The culture of our church needs to reflect God's heart and interests.

³⁴ So now I am giving you a new commandment: Love each other. Just as I have loved you, you should love each other. ³⁵ Your love for one another will prove to the world that you are my disciples.

John 13:34–35 (NLT)

As a member of God's family, God tells you and me to be humble, authentic and teachable.

At New Hope, these are part of the Heart Attitudes that shape our relationships.

Be Humble - put the needs and interests of others above my own.

³ Don't be selfish; don't try to impress others. Be humble, thinking of others as better than yourselves. ⁴ Don't look out only for your own interests, but take an interest in others, too.

Philippians 2:3–4 (NLT)

Be Authentic – live an open and honest life.

So get rid of all evil behavior. Be done with all deceit, hypocrisy, jealousy, and all unkind speech.

1 Peter 2:1 (NLT)

¹⁵ Instead, we will speak the truth in love, growing in every way more and more like Christ...²⁵ so stop telling lies. Let us tell our neighbors the truth, for we are all parts of the same body.

Ephesians 4:15, 25 (NLT)

Be Teachable – give and receive biblical correction.

¹⁶ The whole Bible was given to us by inspiration from God and is useful to teach us what is true and to make us realize what is wrong in our lives; it straightens us out and helps us do what is right.

¹⁷ It is God's way of making us well prepared at every point, fully equipped to do good to everyone.

2 Timothy 3:16–17 (TLB)

As iron sharpens iron, so a friend sharpens a friend.

Proverbs 27:17 (NLT)