

AROUND THE TABLE

THE MIRACLE OF WAKING UP

FIVE LIFE LESSONS TO LIVE BY:

1. _____ life and don't take yourself so _____.

John 10:10, Proverbs 17:22

2. Consider _____ before _____.

Philippians 2:3

3. Be _____ and keep _____ into a better you.

1 Corinthians 13:11

4. Let your _____ be measured by _____.

Mark 12:30-31

5. _____ your life in Jesus Christ.

John 14:1-4, Luke 23:43

A WAKE UP CALL

GETTING STARTED

When you die... If you could be remembered for one character trait or quality, what would it be and why?

SUNDAY RECAP

This week's message focused on the real life loss of our lead pastor, Brandon Grant's father and the lessons he learned from his dad's life. Whether we see or understand it or not, those whom we love and are close to have a huge impact on our lives and shape who we are and will be. Death has a way of waking us up and reprioritizing what's most important in life. This week we look at the 5 lessons learned in regards to character development and responding to loss.

STUDY & SHARE

1. Read Proverbs 17:22 & John 10:10. The first lesson learned was... Enjoy life and don't take yourself so seriously.
 - a) How would the people closest to you describe how you view and approach life?
 - b) What does it mean for you to "enjoy" life (what does that look like)?
2. Read and reflect on Philippians 2:3 & John 13:34-35. Lesson number 2 was... Consider others before yourself.
 - a) What does it look like practically to consider, or put others first (at home, at work, in your community)?
 - b) What promises does Jesus make to those who trust in him in this passage?
3. Read 1 Corinthians 13:11-13. The 3rd lesson learned from Brandon's dad was... Be you and keep on growing.

a) Everyone grows at different rates and to different levels of maturity (spiritually and emotionally). Would you consider yourself a life long learner, why or why not?

b) What area or aspect of your life comes to mind when you consider your own growth as a follower of Jesus?

4. The next lesson was to... Let your success be measured by relationships. Read and reflect on Matthew 22:37-40 & John 15:13.

a) How would you assess the current health of your relationships?

b) In what ways might God be calling you to "love your neighbor" in tangible ways?

5. The last lesson learned from this week's message was to... Anchor your life in the hope of Jesus. Read and Reflect on 1 Corinthians 15:54-58 & 1 Peter 1:3-6.

a) Does your life reflect to others a person who has their hope in Jesus? If so, explain how. If not, what keeps you from being that kind of witness to others?

b) How can you help others, close to you, anchor their lives in Jesus?

SEND // GROUP CHALLENGE

Of the 5 lessons learned, which one did you most resonate with and why? How can you begin to apply the lesson to your life and with the help of your group?

SUPPORT // PRAYER

Pray for each other in regards to the group challenge question. Pray also for Rise City Church to grow in its character and Christlikeness.

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