

Who Will We Be?

Hear a pastor's heart in this statement: Imitate me as I imitate Christ. Every pastor longs to pass on essentials to their people. These essentials include both truths we know and the type of people we are to become.

Scripture(s): 2 Timothy 2:1-3 (and others)

What do I want for you?

Truth # 1 - Christians are "_____" people and not just "I" people.

2 Timothy 2:1-3 1 You therefore, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus. 2 The things which you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses, entrust these to faithful men who will be able to teach others also. 3 Suffer hardship with me, as a good soldier of Christ Jesus.

Know... We walk _____ not just separately. Ephesians 4:11-13

Become... Invest in others on _____ to lead them closer to Jesus.

Truth # 2 - Challenging one another to think deeper about Jesus is _____.

1 Corinthians 4:14-17 14 I do not write these things to shame you, but to admonish you as my beloved children. 15 For if you were to have countless tutors in Christ, yet you would not have many fathers, for in Christ Jesus I became your father through the gospel. 16 Therefore I exhort you, be imitators of me. 17 For this reason I have sent to you Timothy, who is my beloved and faithful child in the Lord, and he will remind you of my ways which are in Christ, just as I teach everywhere in every church.

Know... We challenge each other BECAUSE we love one another not because we are _____ with one another. Galatians 1:6; 4:19-20 1 Peter 1:3-7

Become... Be comfortable exploring the truth of God even if it _____ what you do or believe.

Truth # 3 - Bringing glory to God is our _____.

1 Corinthians 10:31 - 11:2 31 Whether, then, you eat or drink or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God. 32 Give no offense either to Jews or to Greeks or to the church of God; 33 just as I also please all men in all things, not seeking my own profit but the profit of the many, so that they may be saved. 1 Be imitators of me, just as I also am of Christ. 2 Now I praise you because you remember me in everything and hold firmly to the traditions, just as I delivered them to you.

Know... Everything that we can do in the character of _____ should be done to bring Him glory.

1 Corinthians 1:10; 3:1-3; 4:10 **Become...** Seek the character of Jesus so that you can bring yet more glory to _____.

Truth # 4 - Hope is the _____ perspective of faith.

Hebrews 6:9-12 9 But, beloved, we are convinced of better things concerning you, and things that accompany salvation, though we are speaking in this way. 10 For God is not unjust so as to forget your work and the love which you have shown toward His name, in having ministered and in still ministering to the saints. 11 And we desire that each one of you show the same diligence so as to realize the full assurance of hope until the end, 12 so that you will not be sluggish, but imitators of those who through faith and patience inherit the promises.

Know... God sees and remembers every _____ thing you do for Him and His people. Hebrews 5:11-12; 2 Corinthians 4:7-14; Romans 8:38-39

Become... Reject discouragement and _____ in your life and instead chase with passion your service to God.

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