

SUNDAY MESSAGE NOTES AND INTERACTIVE PDF

Transformed in Christ

Receive the new life Christ gives and let His character shine in ordinary relationships.

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NOTES

Truth to carry into the week.

01 Receive the new life already given in Christ.

- Anyone in Christ is a new creation; the old has passed away. Begin with what Jesus has done rather than a list of failures you are trying to erase. ([2 Corinthians 5:17](#))
- God promised to replace a stony heart with a heart able to respond to Him. Yield to His work instead of holding tightly to an old way of life. ([Ezekiel 36:26](#))
- Paul says Christ lives in him. Let the life of Jesus, not self-effort, become the source of your choices and confidence. ([Galatians 2:20](#))

"You have been made new."

STUDY [2 Corinthians 5:17](#); [Ezekiel 36:26](#); [Galatians 2:20](#)

02 Draw close to the One who changes you.

- Christ reconciled those once separated from God and brought them near. The way forward is fellowship with Him, not merely proximity to a program or admired leader. ([Colossians 1:21-22](#))

- Remain grounded and steadfast in the hope of the gospel. When change seems slow, keep turning toward Jesus. ([Colossians 1:23](#))
- God will carry His good work toward completion. Spend time in His Word, speak with Him, and give Him room to form His character in you. ([Philippians 1:6](#); [John 15:4-5](#))

“You stay in Christ Jesus.”

STUDY [Colossians 1:21-23](#); [Philippians 1:6](#); [John 15:4-5](#)

03 Let Christ shape your response to offense.

- Jesus calls His followers to love enemies and pray for those who mistreat them. A transformed response refuses to return injury for injury. ([Matthew 5:38-48](#))
- When someone betrays or disappoints you, bring the hurt to the Lord and ask for the grace to see the person with compassion. ([Romans 12:17-21](#))
- Love is patient and does not insist on its own way. Let the Spirit expose bitterness before it becomes the way you speak or act. ([1 Corinthians 13:4-7](#))

“you're able to bless those who persecute you.”

STUDY [Matthew 5:38-48](#); [Romans 12:17-21](#); [1 Corinthians 13:4-7](#)

04 Welcome truth in family and church.

- A peaceful home is part of a faithful Christian life. Speak truth with love to your spouse, children, and church family rather than using silence or strife to win. ([Ephesians 4:15](#),31-32)
- Receive loving correction without letting offense take control; offer correction for another person's good rather than from irritation. ([Proverbs 12:1](#); [Galatians 6:1](#))
- Paul urges those strong in faith to bear with others and seek their growth. Let patience make room for people to mature. ([Romans 15:1-2](#))

“Correction is not a bad word.”

STUDY [Ephesians 4:15,31-32](#); [Galatians 6:1](#); [Romans 15:1-2](#)

05 Let the Word renew what seems normal.

- Do not be conformed to the patterns around you; let God renew your mind so you can discern His will. ([Romans 12:2](#))
- Jesus repeatedly challenges familiar assumptions in the Sermon on the Mount. Ask where a habit or inherited saying conflicts with His way. ([Matthew 5:21-48](#))
- Take one concrete response this week—at home or at work—and compare it with the character of Christ. Let His Word guide the change. ([Romans 12:2](#); [Matthew 5:44](#))

"I want to say what he says"

STUDY [Romans 12:2](#); [Matthew 5:21-48](#)

06 Shine Jesus in everyday places.

- Christ in you is the hope of glory. His presence reaches ordinary circumstances, including hard conversations and pressure at work. ([Colossians 1:27](#))
- Jesus calls His people the light of the world. Let good works and a loving response point people to the Father rather than to your status or income. ([Matthew 5:14-16](#))
- The God of hope can fill His people with joy and peace as they trust Him. Remain close to Jesus and carry His hope to the people around you. ([Romans 15:13](#))

"We live to shine."

STUDY [Colossians 1:27](#); [Matthew 5:14-16](#); [Romans 15:13](#)

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Where will His life shine through me?

Where am I still defining myself by an old pattern instead of the new life Christ gives?

Whose actions have stirred offense in me, and how can I answer with love?

What thought or family habit needs to be brought under the Word of God?

How can the life of Jesus become visible in my home or workplace this week?
