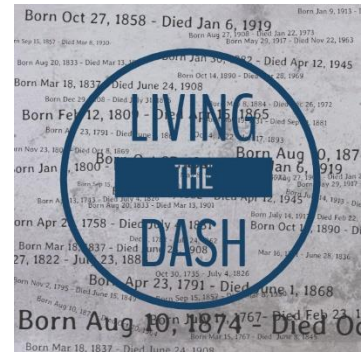




Sunday May 28



Sunday, May 28: The Things That Matter Most

How to Use Talk It Over: This resource is to help you and your group discuss, in greater detail, the messages at Christ Church Otsego. The hope is for you to remember the content, read scripture, and discuss the application to your own life.

Pastor Sean's Main Idea: Where do *your* values come from?

Are there hidden values that, when you stop and think about it, shape the choices you make, without even being conscious of it at the time? How do you decide what matters most in life?

Scripture Passage: Read John 15: 1-6 & 16

- a. Jesus paints a vivid word picture to describe important truths. How does it speak to you?
- b. What kind of fruit are you producing in your life?
- c. How are you doing at staying deeply grafted to Jesus?
- d. What's the relationship to the two (b & c)?

Discussion Questions:

In the sermon, Pastor Sean outlined **4 questions to help evaluate your values and decide what matters most.**

1. Who is going to be my authority?

There are 3 basic choices: Yourself; the World; or God

What are the implications of each of these choices? (What is the effect or result of each choice in a person's life?)

2. What's going to last the longest? (Investing in things that last)

3. Will I choose what's easy or what's best?

4. Is it worth the price, or the trade off?

How can these questions help you clarify your values and make choices that reflect them?

Pastor Sean also made the point that you can't really follow Christ without a shift in your values. He used what Paul wrote in Philippians 3:7-8 as an example.

- How have your values shifted since you began to follow Christ?
- Where do you think they still might need to shift?

Read Ephesians 5:15-17.

How would you describe what the Lord's will is? What really matters most to God?

Pray for one another - for wisdom, encouragement and strength based on what people shared and as you seek to do what matters most with the life that you've been given.

#Live your dash for Jesus!

If you have any question from this discussion or the message email them to info@christchurchotsego.org.