CHECK INS: Let's check in quick with each other; how are we doing folks...?!? 11.9.25 - SERMON RECAP:

This week we began a new mini series teaching through HVC's Core Values. This past Sunday we looked at Colossians 3:1-15 as we considered our first Core Value of Gospel Transformation. We preaded on how we must see Gospel Transformation in light of two-equal sides: First, the truth of our salvation in that we've been transferred from death to life, and from old to new. The 2<sup>nd</sup> being our continued formation into the likeness of Jesus Christ in sanctification. Lets turn to Colossians 3:1-15 and read this scripture together. (As a group, lets take turns reading this scripture together; and then ponder/discuss these questions for our lives.)

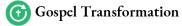
## **DIGGING DEEPER:**

- 1. Thinking in general about core values for any family, business or group- for us- what cor values do we have and how do they impact our lives??
- 2. When we think about the big picture of HVC's Core Value of Gospel Transformation, why is it important to not only see Gospel Transformation in our initial Salvation, but also in our continued Formation into the image of Jesus Christ??
- 3. Paul says, "Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things" (3:2). What does this practically look like in the rhythms of your week, and what tends to pull your mind back to "earthly things"??
- 4. How do you understand the reality that your "life is hidden with Christ in God" (3:3)??
- 5. Paul calls believers to "put to death" the earthly, sinful patterns of the old self (3:5). What does "putting to death" look like in real, everyday life rather than just as a spiritual idea??
- 6. In verses 9–10 Paul says we have "put off the old self" and "put on the new self." How do we hold together the tension between this being something already true of us and something we continue to grow into??
- 7. How does being "renewed in knowledge in the image of its Creator" (3:10) shape the way you think about continued spiritual formation? What practices or habits have formed you most into the image of Jesus??
- 8. Verses 12–14 describe the clothing of the new self—compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, patience, forgiveness, and love. Which of these do you find most natural, and which feels most challenging? Why?

## LIFE APPLICATION / PRAYER:

What is one application from this passage that you want to live out?

## How Does ALL THIS Apply to our Values?



Compassionate Engagement (1)



