

GETTING STARTED:

- 1) What skills do you have that “come easy” to you or that you were “born with”?
- 2) Why does the world matter?

MESSAGE BIG IDEA: I Really Believe: Heaven on Earth: Part 1**MAIN SCRIPTURE: Colossians 1:19-22; 2:8-10; 20-23; 1 Timothy 4:1-5; Deuteronomy 6:4-7****DISCUSSION**

- 1) What is “hollow and deceptive philosophy” based on Colossians 2:8-10 and Brian Gorman’s message?
- 2) When learning about God, how can we tell if a rule is made from God or people (Colossians 2:20)?
- 3) What is the “Myth of Progress” and the “Myth of Fatalism” that Brian Gorman described? How do each of these work and what are their limitations or flaws?
- 4) According to Colossians 1:19-22 and Brian Gorman, who/what is to be “rescued” from the curse of sin in Jesus and what, then, is the value of this world in God’s eyes?

DIG DEEPER

- 1) What human tradition or philosophical deceit has attracted you recently?
(Consider Colossians 2:20; 1 Timothy 4:1-5)
- 2) How does the resurrection of Jesus work against the two myths that Brian Gorman described above?
- 3) Why do we tend to view priorities in linear fashion (a list/priorities) and how does this work against true spirituality as God intended?

BRING IT HOME

- 1) Instead of a linear list of priorities, give an example or area in your life how can you re-apply this in terms of God being at the center of everything: relationships, career, hobbies, etc? Consider Deuteronomy 6:4-7.
- 2) The word, “Vocation” is rooted in the Latin “To Call”. How can you use your career or job to “call out” to others for God? What is your intention for serving others and why isn’t it enough to make others feel better or give them things? Or, do you have an example of someone else who you think does it so well?

ASK FOR GOD’S HELP

- 1) How can we pray that ALL that you enjoy is centered upon God?
- 2) What have you been trying so hard to do for God that you’ve left Him behind? Let’s pray about that.