

DEEP

Deep Series Kickoff – Pastor Mark Pope January 20 & 21, 2018

1. How would you define spiritual depth?
2. Pastor Mark mentioned a few examples of people he knew in which spiritual depth was displayed. Is there someone you know who exudes spiritual depth? What qualities do you see in them that bring you to that conclusion?
3. Read Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43
This section of Scripture is the focus for the message series. Why do you think Pastor Mark used these verses to encourage and challenge our church to go deep?
4. Pastor Mark said, “even though Peter didn’t get it, he didn’t decide to quit it.” Is there anything in your walk with Christ that you just don’t get right now? Explain.
5. Matthew 13:22 says, “The seed falling among the thorns refers to someone who hears the Word, but the worries of this life and the deceitfulness of wealth choke the word, making it unfruitful.” What is there in your life that is causing you worry?
6. Pastor Mark said, “Don’t let anyone steal your opportunity for spiritual depth”. Will God accept an excuse of "it's THEIR fault?" when someone has let you down? Discuss strategies that can help eliminate or reduce the distraction.
7. Is there someone in your life that is helping you be more spiritually deep? If so, how are they doing that?
8. Pastor Mark mentioned 3 positions that can be taken to increase our spiritual depth: reboot, recommit or stay engaged. Can you cite examples from your own life where you did or did not follow these steps? What outcomes did you experience?
9. Are you satisfied with your current spiritual position? Are you interested in pursuing the exceptionally strong spiritual life? What are your next steps? Do you have an action plan?

Note for group leader: Encourage attending a Creating Your Spiritual Growth Plan Workshop