

Week 2 Core Value - REAL

Text: Romans 3:23-24, 1 Peter 2:9, Genesis 1:27, James 3:9, Luke 6:27-36

1 Corinthians 9:19-23

Topic: Being an authentic community in order to fulfill our mission and vision.

Big Idea of the Message: We desire to be an authentic community supporting each other as we travel this journey we call life on earth. We have the same struggles, life experiences and physical hardships as everyone else, yet are empowered by God to walk in freedom and joy.

Application Point: If we are going to reach our families, our friends, co workers, neighbors, we need to get REAL. We need to communicate in a way that they can understand. We need to share in their struggles, celebrate in their successes, and pick them up when they fall; allowing them to pick US up when WE fall. We need to do this as we live out and share the gospel of Jesus Christ.

Discussion Questions:

- 1. What is one thing that stood out to you from this week's message?
- 2. Read the above passages. What do these texts encourage believers to do and not do?
- 3. Why do most people avoid community and settle for come-and-go church?
- 4. How has God used authentic community to enrich your life?
- 5. Is there anyone you know who is in need of community? How can you invite them to join us next week?
- 6. How can we pray for you?