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SERMON DISCUSSION GUIDE

January 7, 2024 | "Because of Jesus" Week 1



GROWING CLOSER TOGETHER _____

- 1) If someone wrote a book about you, what would it be called?
- 2) Share about something that you now say, do or like because of someone's influence on you.



MESSAGE REFLECTION _____

- 1) Review the main points of the message and share something that stood out to you, inspired you, or encouraged you.
- 2) Share about the impact Jesus has had on your life.
- 3) How does Jesus impact the way you use your time?
- 4) In what way is revenge killing the antithesis to what Jesus taught about human life? How does this teaching impact policing and war today?
- 5) What does caring for the poor, sick and needy show others about God?
- 6) Why were/are women and children devalued in godless cultures? How should Christians be lead when it comes to equality for women and protecting or caring for children?
- 7) How was education birthed and how should you view its importance today?
- 8) How did Jesus' teachings impact the formation of our country?



GOING DEEPER _____

READ – **Colossians 1:15-23** together

- 1) What jumps out at you from these passages that is interesting or thought-provoking?
- 2) What do verses 15 & 16 teach us about Jesus' impact on this world?
- 3) Are reconciliation and peace ideals in our society? Why or why not?
- 4) According to verses 19-22, how did God redeem sin, darkness, and death?
- 5) How does the gospel provide hope for the current condition of humanity?
- 6) What is the significance of the word "all" found in verse 23?



LIVING IT OUT _____

- 1) Thank God for the impact he has made on your life and the world around you.
- 2) Pick out one of the points from the sermon and dedicate some time and effort to investigate further.



LIFT EACH OTHER UP _____

Take some time to pray for each other in your life group
