

life TOGETHER

SERMON NOTES

Life Unmasked

Life Together – Part 11

July 20, 2025 – Pastor David Worcester

Matthew 23:27–28

1 John 1:5–10 - ⁵ This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. ⁶ If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. ⁷ But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. ⁸ If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. ⁹ If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. ¹⁰ If we say we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

1. Get _____ With God – 1 John 5, 6, 8, 10

Genesis 3:7–8

Rationalize = Rational _____

2. Get _____ With God – 1 John 1:9, 7

Proverbs 28:13 - Whoever conceals his transgressions will not prosper, but he who confesses and forsakes them will obtain mercy.

Psalms 66:18 - If I had cherished iniquity in my heart, the Lord would not have listened.

Psalms 32:3-4

Ephesians 4:30 - And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption.

3. Get Real With One _____ – 1 John 1:7

Intimacy requires _____.

Colossians 3:9–10

Honesty brings _____.

Proverbs 10:9 - Whoever walks in integrity walks securely, but he who makes his ways crooked will be found out.

Ephesians 4:25 - Therefore, having put away falsehood, let each one of you speak the truth with his neighbor, for we are members one of another.

Deception kills _____, but authenticity fosters community.

Deception vs. _____

Proverbs 17:9 - Whoever covers an offense seeks love, but he who repeats a matter separates close friends.

Everything said must be _____, but not everything true must be said.

Ephesians 4:29 - Let no corrupting talk come out of your mouths, but only such as is good for building up, as fits the occasion, that it may give grace to those who hear.

The A.B.C.s of Edifying Speech

A - Is it _____?

B - Is it _____?

C - Is it _____?

James 5:16 - Therefore, confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person has great power as it is working.

4. Get Right With _____ Another

Ephesians 4:26–27 - Be angry and do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, and give no opportunity to the devil.

Matthew 5:23–24 - So if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother has something against you, leave your gift there before the altar and go. First be reconciled to your brother, and then come and offer your gift.

God values _____ over rituals.

Luke 17:3b - If your brother sins, rebuke him, and if he repents, forgive him,

Move towards the _____.

Matthew 18:15 - If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault, between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have gained your brother.

Ephesians 4:32 - Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.

Forgiven people, _____ people.

To be kind, keep others in _____.

Colossians 3:13 - bearing with one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgiving each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive.

Hurt people, _____ people.

KEY: Real, Lies, Right, Another, vulnerability, security, connection, Discretion, true, appropriate, beneficial, constructive, One, relationships, mess, forgive, mind, hurt

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