

## **Pacific Growth Group – Sermon Questions**

**Week of January 25<sup>th</sup>, 2026**

**Sermon Series: Redeeming the Scroll!**

**Sermon Theme: “The Containment Problem.”**

**Primary Text(s): Galatians 2:11-21; & 3:1-5**

1. The sermon mentioned that God created people to be interdependent and dependent, not independent (Genesis 2:7; Deuteronomy 8:3).
  - a. *How does this challenge modern assumptions about self-sufficiency, efficiency, and control?*
2. **Read Galatians 3:1–5.**
  - a. *What does Paul identify as the Galatians’ mistake in how they were trying to grow spiritually, and how does this help us understand the danger of shifting our dependence away from the Gospel and the Holy Spirit?*
3. The sermon distinguishes between using tools and substituting tools for God.
  - a. *How would you describe the difference between helpful assistance and unhealthy spiritual replacement?*
4. *When you are anxious, confused, or upset, what is your instinctive first move: prayer, Scripture, another person, or technology? What might this reveal about your functional source of trust?*
5. *How do passages like John 14:16–26; John 16:13; and 1 Corinthians 2:12–16 shape our understanding of what the Holy Spirit is meant to do in our daily lives that no technology can replace?*
6. **Read Galatians 2:11–21.**
  - a. *In the passage, why was Paul’s confrontation of Peter necessary for the health of the gospel community in first-century Antioch?*
  - b. *What does this teach us about the role of truth-telling relationships in spiritual formation?*
7. The sermon argues that AI cannot confront what we hide or do not name.
  - a. *Why are embodied relationships uniquely suited for exposing blind spots and fostering repentance and growth?*
8. The sermon mentioned that one of the fastest-growing uses of AI is “therapy and companionship.”
  - a. *What does this suggest about the longings and wounds of our culture, and how should the church respond?*
9. *What are some concrete ways Christians might “contain” technology so that it serves discipleship rather than reshapes it (for example: prayer rhythms, Scripture habits, relational practices, or digital limits)?*

10. The sermon asked: Who or what do you turn to first?

- a. *How might repentance, renewed dependence on God, and re-engagement in embodied community look practically in your life this week?*