



MISSION CREEK

Alliance Church

LIVING TO PLEASE GOD- I Thess. 4:1-8

1. Identity & Calling

Paul reminds us that we are “called out” and chosen by God.

Where do you feel the tension between living “in the world” and being “set apart”?

What does that look like in your daily life right now?

2. Ongoing Growth

The sermon emphasized that sanctification is a journey of “more and more.”

In what area of your life do you sense God inviting you to grow right now—not from guilt, but from love?

3. Understanding Holiness

Holiness was described as living according to how we were designed.

How does viewing God’s commands as “for your good” (not against you) change the way you respond to them? Where is that hard to you?

4. Sexual Integrity & Culture

The sermon highlighted how culture normalizes things that God calls us away from.

Where do you see cultural messages about sex or relationships shaping your thinking? How can you actively resist those influences?

5. The “Lean” Before the Fall

You heard the phrase: *“Every fall begins with a lean.”*

What are some subtle compromises (“leans”) you’ve noticed in your life? What would it look like to address them early?

6. Community, Confession, and Support

The sermon encouraged confession and accountability.

Do you have someone you can be honest with about struggles? If not, what’s holding you back from inviting someone into that role?

7. Grace, Not Sham

You were reminded that Jesus offers freedom from guilt and shame, not condemnation.

When you think about your own sin or struggles, do you tend to move toward Jesus or away from Him? Why? What would it look like to come to Him more openly this week?