

GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE

SO MUCH BETTER THAN LESS DEAD



Getting to know each other:

What do you respond to better, the proverbial carrot or the stick?

Was there any part of the message that was especially helpful or impactful for you? What was it and why?

Read Colossians 3:5-14

1. Self-reflect. Pastor David talked at length about how in the Christian faith transformation in behavior is the result of a life reoriented around Christ. Is that how you've understood transformation before? Is that how you've pursued spiritual transformation in your life?
2. In verse 5, when Paul says "greed, which is idolatry" - what do you think that he means? How is greed idolatry?
3. How do you "put to death" the things of your earthly nature? What does that actually look like? Share some examples with one another.
4. In verse 11, who were the 'barbarians' and 'Scythians'? Look at Bible Gateway or another trustworthy online resource to further understand who these two groups were.
5. What do you think is the significance of verse 11, where Paul says "Christ is all and Christ is in all." What do you think was going on in the church? What do you think was happening that Paul needed to say this?
6. How do we 'bear with one another' as Paul says in verse 13? Why would it be a really important thing for Christian life together? How do you do with this? Is there anyone you need to 'bear' with now?
7. Is there any specific next step you sense God is asking you to take from this message? If so, share with the group.

Next Steps 2023

- What are some of your next steps in faith for 2023? Share any updates with your group.
- When you complete your next step using the QR code below.

Prayer

- Share praises and prayer requests with one another.
- Guided prayer: Lord, let us seek to know you and to follow you, and let our lives be transformed in the process. Where we need to put to death parts of our old life, give us the courage to trust you. Amen.



Did you take a next step?
Let us know by scanning the
QR code here:

