

## BECOMING SPIRITUALLY ALIVE

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1. **Getting to know each other:** Share a 'big' interview experience you had.
2. Before hearing this message, how would you have defined a person that is "spiritually alive"? What attributes or character traits would you have used to describe such a person?
3. **Understanding Context:** Who wrote Colossians (Col. 1:1)? For whom was it written (Col 1:2)? Under what circumstances (Col. 1:3-8)?
4. **Read Colossians 2:1-4.** What is Paul's main purpose in writing this letter? What specifically does he want the Christians in Colosse to understand? In what ways is this purpose relevant to us too?

### Read Colossians 2:11-14

5. What new spiritual reality has been made possible for us due to the death and resurrection of Christ?
6. What historical physical practice does Paul allude to here to help explain what made this new spiritual reality possible for us through Christ (for the historical background see Genesis 17:7-14) ?
7. Taking Paul word's and any historical context, what is the "mark" of those that Christ made alive? What attributes or character traits would you have used to describe such a person?

In his message, Pastor Silverio shared three different statements that Jesus made that help us see the importance of tending to our new spiritual reality in Christ. Look up and read together Matthew 8:21-22; 9:10-12; 10:38-39.

8. What stands out most about Jesus' words? Do they challenge you in any specific way? What next steps do you sense the Holy Spirit prompting you to take in order to full live into this new spritual reality that Christ has called us into?

## 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 campus QR code below.

## Prayer

- Share praises and prayer requests with one another.
- Guided prayer: God, we want to have confidence in knowing and understanding your will. Give us the wisdom they we need and help us to discern the things in our life that no longer fit the new life that you have called us to live into as your followers. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

