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New Message Series: “What Matters Most”

Today’s Talk: Straight Talk About Relationships Pt.2

1 Corinthians 9:19-23

1 Corinthians 10:31-33

1. Live Out A Courageous, Loving and, Gentle Life: What Matters Most.

- 1) Paul limits his personal freedom in order to win more people to Jesus Christ.
- 2) Paul is NOT A WEAK Wimp: Paul was willing to give up his very strong opinions, Jewish traditions, and personal comforts to reach any audience—Jewish or non-Jewish.

Philippians 4:9

⇒ Listen to discern...Be kind, not combative... Be sensitive to culture... Deal with personal prejudices.

- 3) Many have bad theology but need real loving attention.

2 Corinthians 10:1, 2

1 Thessalonians 2:7,8,11,12

- 4) Last Week: The Act of Murder... The Attitude of Murder.

Today: Is Abortion Murder?

Judges 16:17

Psalm 139:13-16

Jeremiah 1:5

2. The Call To Radical Reconciliation

Matthew 5:23,24

Notice: Jesus stresses the importance of reconciliation over worship: “Internal purity is more important than external piety.”

Matthew 5:25,26

Jesus’ Point: No matter the offense—quickly make friends or things get worse.

Ephesians 4:26

If you want to please God: when anger flares and hurtful words come — go to God and to person offended: Do So Quickly.

3. Straight Talk About Your Sex Life

Exodus 20:14

Matthew 5:27

1) Adultery in the bed

Sadly: Just like the rabbis’ interpretation of murder—their thoughts on adultery focused on the act—not on the attitude that led to the act.

2) Adultery in the head

Matthew 5:28

⇒ Jesus was not prohibiting sex within the marriage.

1 Corinthians 7:3-5

⇒ Jesus was warning against admiration turning to lust which is a huge struggle.

1 Corinthians 10:12-14

Galatians 5:24, 25

2 Timothy 2:1, 22, 26

Next Week: Straight Talk About Sex