



Disorientation: Keep it 100!

January 25th & 26th

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Scripture: Matthew 5:33-37

Series Overview

Jesus didn't do an orientation with his disciples. It was more of a disorientation! In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus is uninstalling old testament paradigms and downloading new covenant principles. In these passages, Jesus leads with the phrase, "You have heard that it was said," and follows it up with, "But I tell you."

Series Question

What is one thing the Holy Spirit revealed to you this week?

Sermon Overview

Deep down we all want to be able to trust each other's character and not be tricked, fooled, or played. But it is hard to trust because regularly people do not keep it real. This was an issue with the Pharisees that Jesus addresses in Matthew 5 (as part of the Sermon on the Mount). They had the tendency to make vows with loopholes so they could not be pinned down. Jesus directly challenges them on what it means to have integrity. And it is a message to us all on how to respond and keep our word to one another.

Sermon-Specific Questions

Do your words have meaning to others? How does your character match your words?

Share a recent time when your “yes” didn’t mean “yes” or your “no” didn’t mean “no”. How do you determine what is a “yes” or “no” in your life?

Read **Philippians 2:1-11**. Other than Jesus, who have you seen display this sacrificial integrity?

Do you have a greater concern for what matters to others than your own interests? How can you be more concerned about others throughout your week?

According to Barna’s study, on average 82% of young adults globally say society is facing a crisis in leadership. What do you think of that statistic? What can you do to increase the integrity of your leadership?

Practical Application

- Read through **Psalm 139** throughout the week. Ask the Holy Spirit to reveal any mindsets of performance, self-preservation, or showing up in a way that is not authentic that need to be torn down.
- Think through or write down the things you are saying “yes” to this semester. Are there any on your list you are saying “yes” to that should be a “no”? Is there anything that you are currently saying “no” to that should be a “yes”?