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BIG TRUTH: JESUS FOLLOWERS ARE LIVING PICTURES OF THE GOSPEL

1 Timothy 1:16; Ephesians 5:1-2; 1 Thessalonians 4:1; Ezekiel 24:24

BIBLE VERSE: ACTS 20:24

“But I do not account my life of any value nor as precious to myself, if only I may finish my course and the ministry that I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify to the gospel of the grace of God.”

BIG IDEAS

- Our confidence points others to a better Savior.
- Our obedience points others to a better King.
- Our suffering points others to a better treasure.

BIBLE PASSAGE: EZEKIEL 2:1-10; 4:1-17; 24:15-24

UNITE - I AM CALLED

The Unite Year is an exploration of what it means to be united in Christ as the family of God (Romans 12:5). When we are saved, we are given a spirit of adoption as sons (Romans 8:15-16), are made a child of God, and we are also saved into a family- the Church. The Unite Year explores how we are to live as a part of a family, and to live in light of our calling as servants and disciples of Christ. We use our gifts to build up the church as we pursue unity, humility, and gentleness with our brothers and sisters in Christ (Ephesians 4:1-2).

SERIES AIMS



Every student should know that...

- God is the One True King.
- Faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen.
- There is a cost to following Jesus.



Every student should feel...

- Confident in the steadfastness of the Lord.
- Grateful for the cloud of witnesses that we have as a model for how to faithfully follow Christ.
- Grounded in Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith.



Every student should strive to...

- Examine their own heart and repent of how they have followed false saviors.
- Pray regularly asking the Lord to grow their faith in Him.
- Endure through discouragement and difficult circumstances.



Every student should want...

- To devote themselves to pursuing holiness.
- To suffer well for the glory of God.
- To use their lives to point others to a better Savior, King, and Treasure.

FAMILY WORKOUT:

This week we will ponder how to discuss with our son or daughter what it means to point others to Jesus. We will pray with them to grow in their desire to point others to the Gospel and we will lead them to practice living in a way that reflects Jesus to the world.

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Read and meditate on Ezekiel 2:1-10, 4:1-17, and 24:15-24.

As you ponder these verses ask yourself some of these questions:

- How can you lead your son or daughter to live confidently in Jesus? What are some ways you can model having confidence in Jesus?
- What are some ways you can lead them to walk in obedience and to see their suffering as a way to show others Jesus is the better treasure?

Consider how well you model living as in the truth that Jesus is the better treasure.

- How can you lead your son or daughter to see their suffering as a means of growing their faith and showing others the truth about Jesus?



Spend time praying for your son or daughter this week.

- As you pray for them ask the Holy Spirit to create in them a desire to point others to Jesus.
- Pray with your student this week. As you pray together ask the Holy Spirit to grow their confidence in Jesus.



Discuss with your son or daughter some ways that he or she can better point others to Jesus by obeying God.

- Help them make a list of some behaviors or attitudes they could put on in order to walk more obediently to God.
- Meet with your student to discuss some ways that he or she could live in confidence in Jesus in order to point others to Him.