

HOPE DEALERS

OUR HOPE IS THE BLESSED HOPE – JESUS!

April 17, 2016

1. Open by praying the Lord's Prayer in Matthew 6:9-13.
 - a. Based on the last two sermons, what have you learned about God the Father?
2. Pastor Derwin said, "How do you fill in the gap between who you really are and who you want to be?"
 - a. Is the "who" of who you want to be, who Jesus created you to be?
 - b. Read Titus 2:11-14.
3. To keep God's name sacred or holy is to draw life from our Father through the Spirit so we can have power to represent Him through our lives. (Matthew 6:9-10)
 - a. Discuss what this means for your day-to-day life.

How do we keep God's name holy and become Hope Dealers?

- 1.) By embracing the grace of God and His offer of salvation. Read Titus 2:11.
 - a. Share your thoughts on this point and the scripture.
- 2.) By embracing how grace instructs you to live the life you were created for. Read Titus 2:12.
 - a. What does grace instruct us to do? How does grace do this?
 - b. What impacted you the most in this section of the sermon?
- 3.) Discuss Pastor Derwin's statement, "People who stay stuck in slavery to sin are prideful, entitled, and they surround themselves with people who will reinforce their actions."
 - a. What did you think of this?
 - b. Pastor Derwin said, "Surround yourself with people that force you to do better." How does this action look in your life?
- 4.) By embracing and longing for the blessed hope Himself. Read Titus 2:13.
 - a. What does Pastor Derwin's statement, "People who have an eternal perspective live more powerfully and beautifully in the present" mean?
- 5.) By embracing your freedom and mission to be a Hope Dealer. Read Titus 2:14.
 - a. What did Jesus do to redeem us?
 - b. Redeemed means to be set free. Jesus sets us free from the penalty of sin, which is eternal separation from Him, and from the power of sin in the present through the Holy Spirit. Read Romans 8:11.
 - c. Jesus purifies us. Purification hurts. How has this been true in your life?
 - d. What do God's people become eager to do?

Soul-tattoo: What areas of your life are you in slavery to sin? Ask God to set you free.

Close by praying Matthew 6:9-13. Go deal hope!