

Sermon Resources

Sermon: Foundation First: Our Values

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WHAT DO I NEED TO KNOW?

Daniel 1:1-16

(SERMON IN A SENTENCE) The values we choose to live by are critical to our success as a church.

VALUES PROTECT CULTURE

VALUES SIMPLIFY DECISION-MAKING

VALUES PERSONALIZE THE MISSION

MEMORY VERSE

Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.

Romans 12:2 NIV

WHAT DO I NEED TO ASK?

- ICEBREAKER: If your life came with an instruction manual like IKEA furniture, what would the funniest warning label be?
- The sermon mentions five core values (attached). Which one resonates most with you personally and why? Which do you find the most challenging?
- Have you ever made a clear list of your own values? If so, what are they (or what would some of them be if you did)?
- Read Daniel 1:5-8. Daniel "resolved not to defile himself" based on his values. When have your values helped you make a difficult but clear decision?
- How would your daily life change if you prioritized aligning your decision-making with your values?
- What is one practical step you could take this week to live out the values listed here?



WE VALUE *Unity*

Differences are inevitable, but division is a choice. We choose to make our shared pursuit of Jesus the most important thing.

WE VALUE *Future Generations*

Tomorrow's church is today's greatest investment. We are intentional about how today's choices impact the future.

WE VALUE *The Next One*

Every Christian is a missionary. We live to see one more person decide to follow Jesus.

WE VALUE *Radical Generosity*

God's blessings flow through us. We are excited to serve the world with all that he has given us: Our time, our gifts, and our finances.

WE VALUE *Relationships*

Life is better together. We go farther and get there faster within the context of Christian community.

**WE EXIST TO HELP PEOPLE TAKE THEIR
NEXT STEP CLOSER TO JESUS.**