

MESSAGE #2

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DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Why is it important that Jesus didn't just die, but rose from the grave?
2. What does true repentance look like?
3. Have you given your entire life to Jesus?

MESSAGE #2 DEVO

MEMORY VERSES:

GALATIANS 2:19-20

For through the law I died to the law, that I might live to God. I have been crucified with Christ, it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself up for me.

DEVO

When reading through the gospels, you will often see Jesus challenging those who think they can earn a relationship with God through the things they do or simply by being good. No matter how hard you work or how good you are, nothing you do can make you right before God. So in order to remind the Galatian church of the truth, Paul tells them (in our memory verse today, Galatians 2:19-20) that our only hope is in what Jesus has done for us through His death on the cross and His rising from the dead.

Read Galatians 2:19-20.

What do you think it means to be "crucified with Christ"?

Often we think that being "crucified with Christ" is all about what we give up—practicing self-denial and saying no to sin, temptations, and worldly pleasures, but we often miss how it is also an invitation to living in His life and power! When Jesus saves us we are united with Him, and He alone gives us the power to continue to follow Him. He is our encourager. He is our supporter. He is our power, and our friend.

In Galatians 2:20, Paul says that a Christian now lives by faith. The definition of the word faith is "a complete trust or confidence in someone or something".

What are ways you can live by faith in Jesus?

In Galatians 2:20, Paul also says that Jesus loved him, and gave himself up for him.

How has the knowledge of Jesus giving up His life for you transformed the way you live for Him?

Read 2 Corinthians 5:17.

What do you think it means that a follower of Christ is a new creation?

Do you feel as though you have been made new?