

Teaching Notes

Series: Forgotten God

Week 4 Our Motives Matter

God wants us to know that it's not about us, it's about _____ in us!!

"On a scale of 1-10, how much do you love the church? As you look around at your brothers and sisters, do you think to yourself, 'I love these people so much. I pray that God empowers me in some way to encourage these people toward a deeper walk with Him?'" pg 85

_____ do we want the Holy Spirit to _____ us?

Where do our motives *originate*?

Matt 5:13-16 (NLT) ¹³ "You are the salt of the earth. But what good is salt if it has lost its flavor? Can you make it salty again? It will be thrown out and trampled underfoot as worthless. ¹⁴ "You are the light of the world—like a city on a hilltop that cannot be hidden. ¹⁵ No one lights a lamp and then puts it under a basket. Instead, a lamp is placed on a stand, where it gives light to everyone in the house. ¹⁶ In the same way, let your good deeds shine out for all to see, so that everyone will praise your heavenly Father.

As we let Him transform us, we will _____. We won't be able to help it!

How can we safeguard against this work of God *in* us... becoming *all about* us?

Gal 5:16, 24-26 (NLT) ¹⁶ So I say, let the Holy Spirit guide your lives. Then you won't be doing what your sinful nature craves. ²⁴ Those who belong to Christ Jesus have nailed the passions and desires of their sinful nature to his cross and crucified them there. ²⁵ Since we are living by the Spirit, let us follow the Spirit's leading in every part of our lives. ²⁶ Let us not become conceited, or provoke one another, or be jealous of one another.

"Let" -- it's up to us!!

"Nailed, crucified" ...

How does God want to shine in me so that others clearly see His Spirit at work in my life?

Next Steps:

- Get a workbook (and book)
- commit to attending the workshop next Sunday at 9:45am.
- ask God to shine brightly in your life so others can see Him!

Closing Song: Refiner's Fire by Brian Doerksen