Sermon Questions 1 Tim 6:1-11

This week we discussed that God not only desires our salvation but wants us to grow in godliness. Just as there are skill sets to grow in relationships, finances, marriage, and parenting, God has provided a means for us to grow in godliness. A growing devotion and reverence for Christ is not automatic and requires a rejection of certain errors so that we can move forward. While these challenges from God's Word are often difficult to hear, they are necessary for understanding how God works to grow us. However, the key is not simply knowing what to do but being willing to apply God's truth to our lives. Consider what application God wants you to make from this week's message.

Here are some notes to review from this week's sermon...

Growth in Godliness 1 Tim 6:1-11

Growth in godliness rejects...

Laziness and entitlement (1-2)

False teaching through prideful teachers (3-5)

The love of money (6-10)

Unethical practices (11)

Hearing the Word of God and responding to Him is extremely important. If you haven't had the chance to listen to the message from this week you can now watch it HERE. After watching, please use the following questions (if you find them helpful) in your BRAVE groups (now online every weekday) or discuss them with your family and/or friends. If you are not in a BRAVE Group now is a great time to get involved. Please email info@bravechurch.online and we will get you connected with a community that will work for you.

Questions

- 1. When we are working for a superior, what does God want us to reject? Why is a rejection of laziness so important when working for a non-Christian? Who are we really working for? Why does God want us to give our best efforts in our work? What can happen to our testimony if those we are working for view us as lazy?
- 2. What should we reject when working for a Christian employer? Why is entitlement a danger when we are working for a believer? Why should we work even harder for a Christian employer? How does God want us to view our Christian superior? Why is that person "family" and "beloved"?

- 3. Why do Christians need to understand these truths and why must pastors preach them? Why should Christians be known as the best employees, students, and teammates? Why should our witness always be on the forefront of our mind?
- 4. How did Jesus humble himself and live as a servant? How did He treat people who mistreated Him? How can you personally be more like Jesus Christ?
- 5. Why should you reject false teaching through prideful teachers? How do they stunt your growth in godliness? What three things should be present in a good teacher? Why are the gospel, God's Word and a desire for godliness so important in a teacher who teaches the Word of God? Why is trusting and obeying God's Word so important?
- 6. What happens when a teacher no longer shares the gospel, teaches the Word or expects his teaching to result in godliness? What happens to the congregation? What happens to the preacher?
- 7. What is the problem with envy? Strife? Abusive language? Evil suspicions? Constant friction between men? Believing godliness is a means for gain?
- 8. How does a preacher or a church member keep themselves from pride? How often do they need to be aware of pride? What are a couple of antidotes for pride? Why is having a daily time of prayer that pursues the Lord so important? Why is inviting invasive accountability so important?
- 9. Why is a rejection of the love of money so important for growing in godliness? When a person loves money what are some of the results? How do people who love money lack vision? Lack gratitude? Lack Discernment?
- 10. What is contentment? What are some examples of contentment? How is contentment a cure for greed? What is generosity? What are some examples of generosity? How is generosity a cure for greed? How can you personally grow in your contentment? How can you personally grow in your generosity?
- 11. Why are we instructed to flee from unethical behaviors? How quickly are we to flee from them? Why? How important is being virtuous to our growth in godliness?
- 12. What are we called to pursue? How can you give more of your time and attention to righteousness? Godliness? Faith? Love? Perseverance? Gentleness? Why should your time and attention go to growing in these attributes?
- 13. What has been your greatest take-a-way from this week's study? What do you need to apply in your life right now?