Sermon Teaching

Thankful for a Disruptive Life Philippians 2 Cornerstone Church of Poway Pastor Bill Farrel November 19, 2023

Philippians 2:12-16

| As a believer in Christ, you are a disruptive influence in the best possible way. The |
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| presence of Jesus in your life has transformed you into a child of God who affects |
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| You have a disruptive <u>identity</u> . (v. 12, 15) |
| You are working out your salvation. (v. 12; Titus 2:11-12) |
| The first part of grace is <u>forgiveness</u> . |
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| The second part of grace is the pursuit of excellence. |
| Ungodliness means "without respect." |
| Self-controlled means "with a sound mind." |
| Godly lives mean "behavior that comes from a devout heart." |
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| You are a child of God. (v. 15) |

Notes:

| You have a disruptive <u>assignment</u> . (v. 13) |
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| God is at work <u>in</u> you. |
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| You are an <u>instrument</u> of His will. |
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| You have a disruptive <u>influence</u> . (v. 14-15) |
| You are like a floodlight. |
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| You cause people to see the potholes in life. |
| Warped is the root word for scoliosis. |
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| Crooked is an intensified form of the word "to turn." It refers to something that has been so thoroughly turned it no longer resembles what it was created to be. |
| Notes: |
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| Action Steps for embracing your disruptive life: |
| Hold firmly to the word of life. (v. 16) |
| Rejoice always. (1 Thessalonians 5:17) |

Give thanks in everything. (1 Thessalonians 5:18)



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Small Group Leader: Choose how many questions that will honor your time commitment. Encourage everyone to participate in either a question, reading or prayer. If using this as a family, choose 2 - 3 questions to go deeper in faith.

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| Open in Prayer. |
| Small Group Study: |
| When did you first realize you have been forgiven by the sacrifice of Jesus? |
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| What area of life would you like God to work on for you during the holiday season? |
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| Describe a time when someone was "disrupted" by a choice or action they saw in you. |
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| Describe a time you were "disrupted" by a choice or action you saw in someone else. |

| How do you think we should respond when we see areas of life that have "turned" to the point of being unrecognizable? |
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| What are you most thankful for this year? |
| Close in Prayer. |
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