

MESSAGE REVIEW

Staying motivated in the daily, atomic habits that lead to big change can feel daunting. The good news is, as followers of Jesus, we never have to rely on our own willpower or strength to carry out the good works He planned for us long ago. The act of justification and the process of sanctification are both works of grace in our lives. Stay motivated for the journey by seeing each day as a gift, staying committed to intentional discipleship, and taking time to celebrate all the ways God has worked in your life.

WARM UP QUESTION

What daily chores are you most and least motivated to do?

Read Ephesians 2:8-10. What do these verses tell you about who you are as a follower of Christ? How does it hit you to be called God's masterpiece? How do these verses help explain the act of justification (being declared righteous) vs. the process of sanctification (being made into the likeness of Jesus)?

Read Galatians 2:20. What does this verse teach you about who's in control of the process of sanctification in your life? How does relying on your own strength and willpower cause you to lose motivation?

Read 2 Thessalonians 1:11-12. What does it look like practically to rely on the Holy Spirit's power to accomplish the good things your faith prompts you to do? How does verse 12 help you discern who's prompting you?

Talk about a time in your life when missing twice caused you to give up on your commitments altogether. Have you ever seen a commitment breed passion in a certain area of your life?

Read 1 Corinthians 15:10. To whom does Paul give credit for his ability to work hard? Where is his identity? What is the relationship between hard work and grace according to this verse and in your own life?

RESPOND

What have you learned about God from His Word? How is He asking you to apply it to your life? When will you apply it?

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