

“Palm Sunday” Discussion Questions

Pastor Mike ended his sermon by outlining the kind of fruit that God is seeking. The questions below will help you to take some time and explore each of these areas in your life.

1. Becoming v. Doing

- What is the difference between “becoming” and “doing?”
- Why isn’t merely doing Christian activities sufficient to make you like Jesus?
- How then does this transformation happen?
- What’s the danger with focusing on “doing” over “becoming?”

II. Belonging v. Inhabiting

- What’s the difference between “belonging” and “inhabiting” in the sense Pastor Mike was talking about?
- In what ways or areas of your life do you find yourself “belonging,” living as though God is your Lord and Father?
- In what ways or areas are you tempted to live according to your own prerogatives, as if you life and your stuff belongs to you? What makes these particular areas more challenging for you?

3. Mobilizing v. Observing

For all those that are saved by grace, we have been called to participate in God’s mission, that is to do the good works that God has prepared in advance for us to walk in (Eph 2:10).

- What is the unique calling that God has given you? (The following questions are meant to help them answer this question.)
 - What has God uniquely gifted you and positioned you for?
 - Who or what do you have a passion for?
 - What events or experiences have significantly shaped who you are?
 - In what areas of your life has God worked most powerfully by his grace to redeem and transform?
 - In light of your gifts, abilities, passions, background, experiences etc., what kinds of ministry has God uniquely shaped and equipped you for?

- How can we do a better job of helping one another discover and walk in our calling(s) from the Lord?

4. Multiplying v. Hoarding

- Clearly, God called each of us to share the grace that we have experienced. Practically speaking, what does this or should this look like? How have you seen it done most effectively?
- How and when are you tempted to “hoard” this grace for yourself?
- How have you seen God use you lately to share his grace with others?
- Where or with whom do you need to share this grace more?