

Message: There's More To It Than Being Good

Scripture: Romans 12:2 (ESV)

Teacher: Jeff Norris, Randy Pope

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¹ *I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship.*

² *Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.*

1. Mere moral reflection is no different from the way of the world.

2. Spiritual or inward transformation is the way of the Kingdom of God.

Our guest speaker this weekend is Jeff Norris:

Jeff and his wife Rachel have served as college ministers with Cru for the last 13 years. They served two years at Southern Miss, four years at UGA, and the last seven years at their alma mater, the University of Alabama. They have been married for almost 14 years and have four children: Samuel (12), Ellie Kate (8), Abigail (6), and Annie (3). Jeff joined the staff at Perimeter on June 15 and is giving leadership to the launching of new services at the church. The Norris family is thrilled to be a part of God's work in and through Perimeter Church in the coming years. Rachel grew up at Perimeter, so this a long-awaited homecoming for her!

Randy Pope – Communion

1. This Picture Can Only Be Clearly Understood When Viewed With The Historic Setting Of The Passover.

- 1) Redemption
- 2) Release
- 3) Remembrance

Exodus 12:14 ¹⁴*Now this day will be a memorial to you, and you shall celebrate it as a feast to the Lord; throughout your generations you are to celebrate it as a permanent ordinance.*

Exodus 12:41 ⁴¹*And at the end of four hundred and thirty years, to the very day, all the hosts of the Lord went out from the land of Egypt.*

Exodus 13:3 ³*Moses said to the people, "Remember this day in which you went out from Egypt, from the house of slavery; for by a powerful hand the Lord brought you out from this place. And nothing leavened shall be eaten.*

2. Christ Intended That The Updated Picture Left Would Serve As Both A Remembrance And A Proclamation.

1 Corinthians 11:23-25 ²³*For I received from the Lord that which I also delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus in the night in which He was betrayed took bread; ²⁴and when He had given thanks, He broke it and said, "This is My body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of Me."²⁵ In the same way He took the cup also after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in My blood; do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."*

1 Corinthians 11:26 ²⁶*For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.*

3. The Picture Was Left With A Warning Of Specific Consequences For Abusing The Table.

1 Corinthians 11:27 ²⁷ *Therefore whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner, shall be guilty of the body and the blood of the Lord.*

1 Corinthians 11:29 ²⁹ *For he who eats and drinks, eats and drinks judgment to himself if he does not judge the body rightly.*

1 Corinthians 11:28 ²⁸ *But a man must examine himself, and in so doing he is to eat of the bread and drink of the cup.*

1 Corinthians 11:31 ³¹ *But if we judged ourselves rightly, we would not be judged.*