

Notes for Sermon:



October 9, 2022

***The Be-Attitudes***  
***Part 8***



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## Welcome to Grace!

We at Grace Church of Central Point would like to welcome you to our service today! Please join us as we seek to grow in the Lord's grace and knowledge with worshipful music and study in His Word.

### OUR TIME OF WORSHIP

*Please remember to silence your cell phone*

FAMOUS ONE

OPENING PRAYER

BUILD MY LIFE

WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS / OFFERING

AMEN HALLELUJAH  
DECISIONS

SCRIPTURE READING

O COME TO THE ALTAR  
DAY BY DAY

MESSAGE – PASTOR MARK PITROFF

CLOSING – JESUS ONLY JESUS

### In Service to Him

Interim Pastor – Mark Pitroff  
Assistant Pastor – Howard Glosser  
Music Coordination – Roy A Bates  
Music – Roy A. Bates, Kerry Blackburn, Jim Hibbs, Tamara Fielding  
Usher – Ron Walch  
K to 5<sup>th</sup> & Children's Church – Kim Pence & Mary Pitroff  
Teens – Jim Hibbs, Roy A Bates  
Overcomers – Danielle Hvall  
Adult Sunday School – Steve Ashton

## This Week at Grace

**Today** Sunday School .....10:00 am  
Worship Service.....11:00 am  
(Worship Service is also live stream on Facebook)

**Tuesday** No Study This Week. Resumes Oct 25<sup>th</sup>.  
(Luke's Gospel)  
Men's Bible Study.....5:30 pm  
(American Gospel – Christ Crucified)

**Wednesday** Mid-Week Prayer meeting.....6:30 pm

**Thursday** No Study This Week. Resumes Oct 27<sup>th</sup>.  
(The Sermon on the Mount - for a study book, see  
Bobbie Crammer)

### Bible Bookmarks for October are Available

The Bible Bookmarks can help you accomplish this year's goal of reading through the Bible. Pick one up off the back counter or on our website [www.gracechurchcp.org/resources](http://www.gracechurchcp.org/resources)

### Talent Night

Sunday, October 16<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm we'll be having a Talent Night. All are invited to participate or spectate (we need both!) There is a sign-up sheet on the back counter for those who'd like to participate. We look forward to a wonderful evening of fellowship, fun, and surprises! Invite your friends, family, co-workers for a great evening out.

### Reminder – Save the Dates

- Women of Grace, Saturday, Nov. 5 (more information to follow)
- Thanksgiving Potluck Nov. 6 (more information to follow)
- Baby Shower at the church for Matt & Cathleen Winchell, Nov. 12, 11 am. All are invited to attend.

## **EXTREME MAKEOVER 2 *The Be-Attitudes: God's Steps to Wholeness***

*Blessed are those who hunger & thirst for righteousness,  
for they will be filled.* Matthew 5:6

**Voluntarily submit to every change God wants to make in my life  
and humbly ask Him to remove my D\_\_\_\_\_.**

*Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world,  
but be transformed by the renewing of your mind.  
Then you will be able to test & approve what God's will is  
—His good, pleasing & perfect will. Romans 12:1-2  
... let God transform you into a new person  
by changing the way you think ...* <sup>NLT</sup>

### **I. WHERE DO MY CHARACTER DEFECTS COME FROM?**

#### **My Chromosomes.**

Genetics explain predisposition, but they don't excuse sin.

#### **My Circumstances.**

Character defects are often attempts to fill unmet needs.

#### **My Choices.**

Character defects are often positive qualities being misused.

### **II. WHY IS IT SO HARD TO CHANGE THEM?**

- Because I've had them so **Long**.
- Because I **Identify** with them.
- Because they have a **Payoff**.
- Because **Satan** discourages positive change.

### **III. HOW DO I COOPERATE WITH GOD'S CHANGE PROCESS?**

*...Be transformed by the renewing of your mind.* Romans 12:2

#### **1. Focus on Changing One Defect at a time.**

*The person with understanding is always looking for wisdom,  
but the mind of a fool wanders everywhere.* Proverbs 17:24

#### **2. Focus on Victory One Day at a time.**

*Give us this day our daily bread.* Matthew 6:11

*Don't worry about tomorrow, each day has enough troubles of its  
own.* Matthew 6:34

#### **3. Focus on G\_\_\_\_\_ P\_\_\_\_\_, not willpower.**

*Can the Ethiopian change his skin or the leopard its spots?  
Neither can you do good who are accustomed  
to doing evil.* Jeremiah 13:23

But . . .

*I can do everything through Him Who gives me strength.*  
Philippians 4:13

*I can master anything with the help of Christ  
Who gives me strength.* <sup>JB</sup>

#### **4. Focus on what I W\_\_\_\_\_, not on what I D\_\_\_\_\_ W\_\_\_\_\_**

*Fix your thought on what is true and good and right. Think  
about things that are pure. . . . Think about all you can praise  
God for and be glad about . . . .* Philippians 4:8<sup>LB</sup>

#### **5. Focus on D\_\_\_\_\_ good, not F\_\_\_\_\_ good.**

*...live by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of  
the sinful nature.* Galatians 5:16

#### **6. Focus on those who H\_\_\_\_\_ me, not H\_\_\_\_\_ me.**

*As iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another.*  
Proverbs 27:1

#### **7. Focus on P\_\_\_\_\_, not on P\_\_\_\_\_.**

*God who began the good work within you will keep right on  
helping you grow in His grace until His task with you is  
finally finished....* Philippians 1:6<sup>LB</sup>

**"God, I need You. I want to submit to every change  
You need to make in my life. And I want to humbly  
ask You, God, to remove my character defects."**