



DIGGING DEEPER

Week 6: Maintenance & Upkeep

This week we finished our “Fixer Upper” series! The series was about discovering Jesus’ ability to transform people like us. Throughout this series, we had asked our groups to share a bit of their stories. If someone in your group hasn’t had that chance, and would like to share, give them the opportunity. If everyone has, have people share something that made an impression from someone’s story.

➔ **The subject this week was maintenance! What is the simple house upkeep that you hate the most?**

RECAP

You are a fixer upper, but you are not a flip. Jesus did not fix you up to sell you. The intent was to have a life long relationship with you. Every day there is maintenance required in our relationship, but it is work worth doing!

DISCUSS

Main Discussion Question: What has been the major area of “maintenance” in your faith in the past six months? If there isn’t something that you have been working on, what could that mean?

Read the Key Scripture as a group. What are some observations that come to you as you work through this text?

1. How does a relationship with Jesus reframe our behaviors, motivations, or desires?
2. What relationship in your life has taken the most work or effort? How did that relationship go?
3. What does a stagnant relationship look like? What are some signs that a relationship is headed toward stagnancy?
4. In what way could you use help in your relationship with Jesus? Is there a habit to start/stop, a motivation to change, or a discipline to practice?

WRAP UP

Take some time and share prayer requests as a group! Make sure to write them down and send them out to one another so that you can continue to pray for each other. And join us next week, as we start a brand new series at our church!

KEY SCRIPTURE

Philippians 3:7-16

⁷ But whatever were gains to me I now consider loss for the sake of Christ. ⁸ What is more, I consider everything a loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whose sake I have lost all things. I consider them garbage, that I may gain Christ ⁹ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which is through faith in Christ—the righteousness that comes from God on the basis of faith. ¹⁰ I want to know Christ—yes, to know the power of his resurrection and participation in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, ¹¹ and so, somehow, attaining to the resurrection from the dead.

¹² Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already arrived at my goal, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me. ¹³ Brothers and sisters, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, ¹⁴ I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.

¹⁵ All of us, then, who are mature should take such a view of things. And if on some point you think differently, that too God will make clear to you. ¹⁶ Only let us live up to what we have already attained.