

The Heart of the Gospel - 5/12/19

OVERVIEW

From the beginning of time there have been rules that God gave us. Sin and brokenness entered the world through Adam and Eve's first sin and continue today. God created us for life, not for death. But here is the kicker...we get the choice to choose life and not death. Jesus is the only way to this life. What will you choose this week?

Scripture (all ESV): John 1:4, John 5:26, John 5:39-40, John 6:67-68, John 10:10, John 11:25, John 14:6, Genesis 4:6-7

APPLICATION

- 1. Share an example of a "family rule" in your house when you were growing up that you know other families didn't follow. (Ex. Taking off your shoes in your house, watching R-rated movies, etc.)
- 2. Without looking on Google or online, create a list of synonyms for the word "rules." After you discuss, look online for actual synonyms and compare to your list. Do rules have a positive or negative connotation?
- 3. How do you view rules? How do you view God's rules?
- 4. What does it mean to receive life before you can choose life?
- 5. What area in your life do you see death and not life?
- 6. Choosing life is a daily choice. What is one practical way you can choose life this week?

HOMEWORK: Think about your answer in question six. Take steps to complete this and share with a trusted friend how God is helping you move toward life.

