I Am Christ Church: Part 1

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A lot of things have changed over the years... some things don't change... "I Am Christ Church" - The mission. What we believe. How we live.

Who we are/whose we are/Who we are becoming

Since Christianity (and Christ Church) begins with Christ...

It is not what we do that makes us a Christian; it is what **Christ has done for you** that makes you a Christian.

⁸ God saved you by his grace when you believed. And you can't take credit for this; it is a gift from God. ⁹ Salvation is not a reward for the good things we have done, so none of us can boast about it. ¹⁰ For we are God's masterpiece. He has created us anew in Christ Jesus, so we can do the good things he planned for us long ago. Ephesians 2:8-10

What will you do with your new Christian life?

Option One: "Christian"

Option Two: We can do the good things he planned for us long ago..."

A call to action; take up the mantle; disciples of today

Embrace the disciplines as we become the disciples of Christ in this day and age.

Christ makes a Christian. Disciplines make a disciple.

Discipleship is about how we live.



REFLECTIONS

- 1. Who are you becoming? Who do you wish to become? Who do you believe God wants you to become?
- 2. In your own words, what has Christ done for you? Why is it important to begin the conversation with what Christ has done for you?
- 3. Where have you encountered someone living according to Option One? Where have you encountered someone living according to Option Two? How have those experiences informed your choices in life?
- 4. What Christian habits/practices/disciplines come to your mind when you think of the full Christian life?
- 5. Reflect on and write a brief summary of each of the five words that give identity to how we live as Christ Church.
- 6. Which word is most challenging for you to embrace as we begin our Journey to Easter? Which word are you most excited to learn about?