

A STACKABLE FAITH

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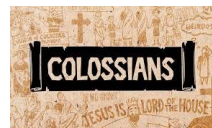
[Colossians 2:6-7](#) – We need goals in our lives. You may object and say I am more of a relationship person than a goal person, but your goal is to build more relationships or strengthen the ones you already have. As Paul finishes sharing with the Colossian church that he is praying for and contending for them, he encourages them to focus on their faith in Jesus. He reminds them of what they first heard about Jesus and how they have built their lives on him. As they remember more and more of what Jesus has done for them, their faith deepens, and they build layers of their faith by connecting the different teachings to their lives. They are working through the goal of knowing Jesus.

What does a growing faith look like?

What goals do you have for your faith in Jesus?

How can you build upon those goals?

Sermon Notes



Our Journey for July 13 – July 19, 2026

Legos have fascinated me since I was a young child. The way the blocks interlock is great until you have to take them apart; the smaller the block, the harder it is to take apart. The more blocks that are interlocked, the higher you can build. If you go higher, you also need to go wider, so what you are building will not fall over. If it does fall over, the blocks are interlocked, so they shouldn't come apart when they hit the ground. In a way, Legos are like our faith. Our faith has a foundation: Jesus the Christ, and the more we learn about and trust in Jesus, the wider our foundation becomes. As we deepen our faith, we trust in God's promises, and we see His movement and presence in our lives. Our lives become meaningful and purposeful. When life shifts, we will stumble and fall, but our faith is intact because it is an interlocking faith, rooted and built up in Jesus.

~ Pastor Seth

MY EYES ARE ON YOU

Mon. 7/13

[Psalm 16](#) – How many times have you tripped because you were not watching where you were going? You can watch videos of people running into buildings, signs, benches, and other stationary objects because their eyes were elsewhere (usually on a device). David, the author of this psalm, speaks of keeping his eyes on the Lord. He sees other people who chase after the idols that are all around him, and how nothing good comes from those who chase after those idols. David sees how God has protected and blessed him. The more he sees God's involvement in his life, the more he pursues a relationship with God. The more he pursues God, the more he sees God involvement. It's like an upward spiral for his heart and soul. We have the same opportunity. The more we look for Jesus, the more we will see his handiwork, and the deeper our faith will be.

Where are you noticing God's involvement in your life?

How is your faith deepening because of God's involvement in your life?

AN ALL-AROUND GOOD GUY

Tue. 7/14

[Genesis 39:1-23](#) – You probably heard the saying that nice guys finish last. The meaning behind the saying comes from the idea that nice people aren't aggressive or manipulative enough to get what they want. At the same time, people don't want to be around aggressive or manipulative people. Let's look at Joseph and see how we handled his faith. He had opportunities to be aggressive and manipulative, especially with Potiphar's wife. She would have given him anything, but Joseph knew God well enough to know that her desires were wrong and would lead to trouble. So, he stayed away from her until she caught him in a vulnerable position and manipulated it for her benefit. Joseph was thrown in prison for rebuffing her, but in the end, it worked out for Joseph.

How was Joseph's faith built up and rooted in God during this time?

How are you like Joseph? How are you different?

A FAITH-FILLED LIFE

Wed. 7/15

[Daniel 3:1-30](#) – What can a faith-filled life do? The better question might be what can't it do? A faith-filled life walks with God through difficult situations and trusts that God will see them through, and most of the time God does. God's guidance and protection open a doorway for the faithful person to speak about their faith. Daniel's friends were faced with a dilemma: worship the statue or die. They choose to stay true to their faith and worship God. They decided before the statute was even raised to worship God and God alone. They knew this would bring honor and glory to God. They understood the consequences but knew God would see them through. The question we face is: have we decided to follow Jesus even though it may lead us into a little bit of trouble?

Have you decided to follow Jesus no matter what?

Who will walk with you? Who will encourage and strengthen you?

A STRONG FOUNDATION

Thur. 7/16

[Matthew 7:24-29](#) – A good foundation aids a building in standing strong through a lot of weather. It is also a good analogy for thinking about people's character. The stronger the character, the more a person can handle. Jesus took it a step further when he shared a parable about building a home on the rock rather than on the sand. When the winds and rains came, the house built upon the rock stood while the one built upon the sand fell. Jesus spoke this parable at the end of the Sermon on the Mount, a group of teachings that he told to the disciples as they gathered on a mountainside. This is the last parable he gave there, and it reinforced the idea that if the crowd followed his teachings and him, their foundation would be strong and rooted in him.

What teachings of Jesus have you built your life upon?

How did that teaching help you weather some of life's storms?

HOW DO I KNOW?

Fri. 7/17

[Romans 12:1-21](#) – A self-reflective person will ask, what characteristics show that I am a disciple of Jesus? The answers may vary, but they all start with Jesus being their Lord and the center of their lives. Another foundational piece is that they spend time with Jesus through prayer, scripture reading, and gathering with other disciples. Romans 12 lists other characteristics, such as knowing and following God's will, having their thoughts transformed from what culture believes to what Jesus teaches, going regularly to church, using the spiritual gifts God gave them, and other activities described in Romans 12:9-21. The Holy Spirit also gives an assurance, a confidence, that one is walking with God's will in mind and heart.

What characteristics does a disciple of Jesus have?

How many of those characteristics are in your life?