

Flipped

Seeing as God sees

We all have experienced when we make a decision thinking it is best and helpful, but it actually ends up hurting us or others. We often make mistakes or hurt others or ourselves without intending to! Throughout the gospels Jesus consistently flipped the standard thinking on how to think and live out what is most important. Instead of chasing after power, serve others. Instead of accumulating treasure, give yourself away. Instead of faking your reputation, be honest and humble. These are the true pathways to living as Jesus modeled and taught. We will look at several areas where when our thinking is flipped to see as God sees we end up in a lot healthier place.

Part 1 (Jan 8): Power

Problem: We pursue power and influence thinking that brings us more success.

Question: Will pursue power at all cost or believe Jesus that serving bring greater influence?

Passage: Matthew 20:20-28

Big Idea: Power is not demonstrated by your ability to force others to do things, but by your ability to give of yourself sacrificially.

Power = Flip: World (lording over) -to- Christ (serving others)

Part 2 (Jan 15): Treasure

Problem: We accumulate and rely on our things to give us a sense of worth and security.

Question: Am I more consumed with acquiring things or making a difference?

Passage: Matthew 6:19-20

Big Idea: Don't get trapped by your stuff.

Treasure = Flip: store now -to- store in heaven

Part 3 (Jan 22): Reputation

Problem: It is much easier to ignore or contemplate than to act.

Question: Are you willing to take action?

Passage: Matthew 23:25-28

Big Idea: Working hard to present a false front is overrated.

Reputation = Flip: fake it -to- be honest