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A GOD'S EYE VIEW ON WHAT IT MEANS TO BE ME

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Take sometime to break the ice and choose one of the questions below.

- What is your favorite game to play?
- Do you consider yourself competitive? Why or why not?
- What does "winning at life" mean to you?

INTRODUCTION

We are in the sixth and final week of our sermon series Image and Identity: A God's Eye View of What It Means to be Me. So far, we've learned that to be truly human means being a Godimager, a saved sinner, a new creation, a whole person, and an individual in community. In this final week, we are examining our identity as afflicted victors. We ask the question: When winning looks like losing, how do we keep living in victory?

READ & DISCUSS

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Isaiah 49:8; 2 Corinthians 6:1-2

DISCUSS

What is the promise being made in Isaiah 49:8?

What is Paul's message in 2 Corinthians 6:1-2?

If "now is the time of God's favor, now is the day of salvation" (v2), how does that impact how you see your day-to-day life?

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2 Corinthians 6:3-8a

DISCUSS

In v3, Paul says he puts no stumbling block in anyone's path. How does he do that? (vv4-8a).

In your own efforts to share the gospel, have you experienced any of these same things? Would you be willing to?

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2 Corinthians 6:8b-13

DISCUSS

In these verses, Paul lists a series of contrasts. Name each of them in your own words.

Which of these most applies to your life right now? How does it help you see your struggle through God's eyes?

PRAY

Pray for a wide-open heart towards one another and towards Christ. Ask God to show you his victory in the midst of our affliction.

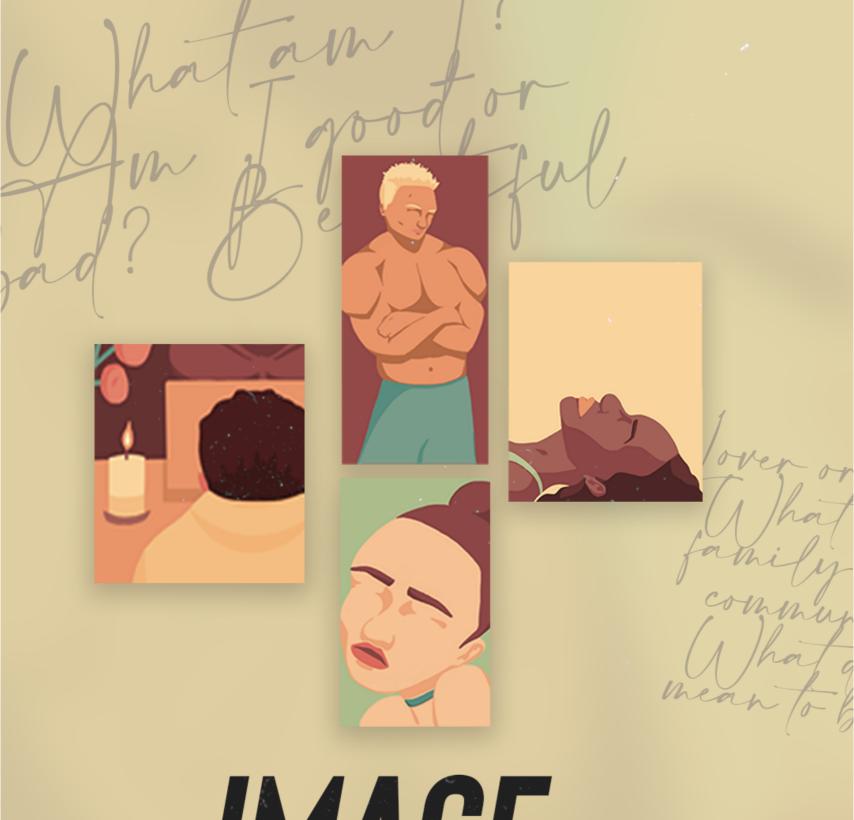


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