

Sermon Notes

Two Ways to Live

DA Carson says, “if you present the [timeless] outlines of the gospel to those who know nothing about the Bible’s plotline, and who have bought into one form or another of a post-Christian worldview, how will they hear you..... the good news of Jesus Christ is virtually incoherent unless it is securely set into a biblical worldview.”

Two Ways to Live is a simple, memorable summary of the Christian gospel. In six simple points, it conveys the key information that the average non-Christian person needs to understand in order to become a Christian. And it does so in a way that does not assume any prior knowledge or understanding of Christian concepts.

God, the loving ruler and creator. God made the world and made mankind to rule under him.

Humanity in rebellion. This world is not the way it should be because all people have rebelled against God.

God won’t let people keep on rebelling forever. God is good and will call all people to account. The punishment for our rebellion is death and judgment.

Jesus, the Man who dies for rebels. Because of his love, God sent his Son Jesus Christ to offer his life on the cross, taking our punishment and bringing us forgiveness.

Jesus, the risen ruler. God accepted Jesus’ death as full payment for our sins and raised him from the dead to prove it. Jesus now reigns and will one day return to judge the world.

The two ways to live. We can continue living our way, rejecting God’s rule and running life our way, or we can live in God’s new way, submitting to Christ and relying on his death and resurrection.

Weekly Discipleship Guide

Know

What does God intend for me to know?
In your journal, use the following prompts to write some truths that stood out from this week's message.

I never knew...	I was reminded...	A question I still have...
I was challenged...	I was convicted...	A truth I could share...
I was encouraged to...		I need to dig deeper into...

Be (Consider)

What does God's Word lead me to prayerfully consider?
In your journal, use the following questions to write some prompts to use in praying through this week's passage.

Is there a command to obey?	Am I convicted to confess any sin?
How am I compelled to exalt God?	Is there a sin to avoid?
Is there a promise to claim?	How do I need to rest in Jesus/the gospel?
Is there a principle to follow?	How can I pray for someone else?
Is there an example to follow?	What am I compelled to love or desire?

Do (Yield)

How does God's Word call me to yield my life? In your journal, write your answers and thoughts in response to the following questions.

Let's focus on praying together this week. Let the following questions guide your time:

How should our series on discipleship & faithful evangelism lead us to pray as a church & individually for our community?

How can we pray for folks who attended our festival on Sunday night? Did you have any interactions where seeds may have been planted?

How can your group pray for you, specifically? How do you need brothers and sisters interceding for you as you seek to live out the gospel as a disciple-maker?

**Use this guide to help you internalize this week's message & to prepare for Life Group.*

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