

Series: Rooted

Message: Rooted and Overflowing

September 27, 2020

Colossians 2:6-7 | 1 John 1:9; 3:1 | 2 Corinthians 8:1-4 | Matthew 5:13-17

The Source of Overflow is Jesus.

The Expression of Overflow is Generosity.

- Words
- Actions
- Resources

The Impact of Overflow is God being Glorified.

Life Group Study

For week of September 27, 2020

We invite you to use these notes to continue the conversation throughout the week. Whether online or in person, we need to connect together! During the fall we will have several Life Groups starting up. So take that Next Step and find yours today! <https://rlc.pub/groups>

Share your story

What insight, question, or resolution did you discover from our time of worship together on Sunday?

What's been the hardest part of this year?

What blessings have you experienced recently that surprised you in the midst of these difficulties we've faced?

Connect to God's story

Read Colossians 2:6-7.

What are the characteristics Paul points to that come from being rooted in Christ Jesus?

When things are topsy-turvy, why might it be important to focus on your roots – your foundations?

Read Colossians 2:8-10.

What is Paul's warning about? How does this make being rooted even more important?

Have you ever been captivated by philosophies and things that are not of Christ? What can Jesus do and be in our lives according to this passage?

Read 2 Corinthians 8:1-5.

How are the churches in Macedonia described? Anything pop out at you from their description?

How has God called you to be generous this last week?

How can hearing someone else's story of generosity help you to become a more generous person too? How is God calling you to live a life of generosity?

And now, just as you accepted Christ Jesus as your Lord, you must continue to follow him. Let your roots grow down into him, and let your lives be built on him. Then your faith will grow strong in the truth you were taught, and you will overflow with thankfulness.

- Colossians 2:6-7 (NLT)

Real Life Prayer for 2020

It is God's will for us to have an intimate, personal, and dependent relationship with all of Him—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. This year let us make it personal, a prayer of commitment and connection with God.

Pause Prayers

Read each of these simple statement prayers separately then pause, pray, listen, and respond:

"Abba, I belong to You."

"Come Lord Jesus."

"I surrender to You."

"Holy Spirit set my love in order."

"I trust You."

"You are enough."

As we open ourselves to a new year and a new decade, ask God to bring a personal **revival*** to you: body, mind, and spirit. As each of us fully embraces all that God has for us, He is able to work immeasurably in, for, and through us.

When we open ourselves to God reviving us we will not be the same. Real Life Church will not be the same. Our community will not be the same. Let us claim 2020 as the year of the Lord's favor and look with expectant eyes for the miracles of God!

***Revival Definition:** *an improvement in the condition or strength of something.*