
DISCUSSION GUIDE

SUNDAY MARCH 9

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday Worship Service

10AM In-Person and Online

Mar 23 New Members Orientation

11:45AM after Sunday Service

Apr 2 Shepherds Training

7:30PM at the Temple

Apr 6 Group Leaders Lunch

11:45AM after Sunday Service

Aug 1-3 LA Jubilee Conference

Register at lighthousecoc.com

OUR VISION

Love God.

Live Change.

Light the Way.

OUR VALUES

God's Word: is our Narrative

We discover who God is and how we participate in his story.

Love: is our Calling

We honor and value one another above ourselves.

Serving: is our Passion

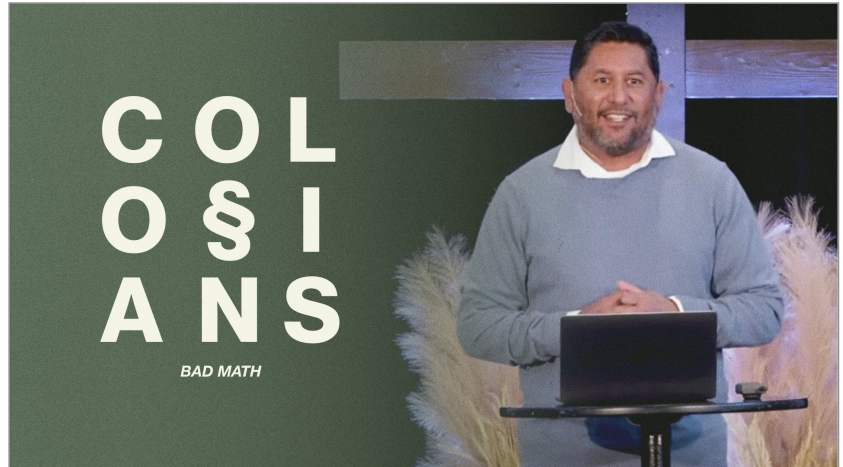
We do everything with zeal and ownership.

Prayer: is our Priority

We pray as our first response, not our last resort.

Hospitality: is our Mission

We seek opportunities to share what God has given us.



BAD MATH

Jesus Christ is above all things and before all things, yet He demonstrated the truest form of humility by taking on human likeness and offering His life up for the redemption of His creation. Paul unpacked these parts of Jesus identity in his letter to the church in Colossae, instructing the believers on how to imitate Christ in every aspect of life. Believers are encouraged to keep straining toward Christ, knowing that following Jesus is worth whatever cost it requires of us. Join us as we discover endless ways our Lord and Savior is worthy of our praise.

ONLINE GIVING

You can give either a one-time gift or setup re-occurring giving that fits your personal pay schedule using PushPay. There are two ways you can do this. You can go to lighthousecoc.com and click the “give” button or you can text **LCOC** to **77977** and you will receive a text message with directions to follow. Finally, you can also write a check to Lighthouse Church and mail it to 3508 East Temple Way, West Covina, CA 91791. Thank you so much for investing into the mission of Jesus Christ!

PRAYER REQUESTS

LA Wildfires Please pray for all who have been affected by wildfires.

Jan Dickens Please continue to pray for his health and healing.

Mark Ramirez Please pray for healing for his health complications.

Amira Angulo Please pray for Amira to make a full recovery from surgery.

Andy Harrison Please pray that God would completely heal his kidneys.

Ruben Narvaez Please pray that God would heal him of cancer.

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DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Conversation Starter

- What has been your religious experience and background? Do you think your understanding of religion has shaped your faith today? Why or why not?

Sermon Reflection

Take a moment as a group to reflect on the following questions:

- What encouraged you or challenged you from the message?
- Do you have any questions about the message this week?

Sermon Discussion

- Read Colossians 2:16-23
1. In Colossians 2:16-17, as he is preparing the Colossians for his warning, Paul references the Old Testament Mosaic Law. He refers to the Old Testament Mosaic Law as a shadow of the things that were to come through Jesus Christ. How important is the Old Testament to your worship of Jesus Christ? Why does Paul refer to these things as a shadow?
 2. Paul uses phrases in verses 18-19 like being puffed up and false humility. There were people in the church filled with pride because of their spiritual knowledge, experiences or visions that were not grounded in Christ. This pride led them away from Jesus, the head, and caused division within the body of Christ. How can we as a group guard each other against pride and thinking our way or perspective is better than others?
 3. In John 17:17, Jesus says, "Sanctify them by the truth, your word is the truth." How do you use your Bible to validate spiritual practices and teachings? Are there other ways to validate the truth or is the Bible the ultimate authority?
 4. Paul warns the church against three problematic practices:
 - **Legalism:** Legalism is the religion of human achievement
 - **Mysticism:** Mysticism looks for reality in subjective experience
 - **Asceticism:** Asceticism is the deliberate refusal to have material comfort as a means of spirituality
- Do you see legalism, mysticism or asceticism impacting the church today? Can you think of any practical examples? Are there things that the church should be aware of today?