



CORE VALUES! **DOUG REED // APRIL 28, 2019**

'God First: God Above Everything!'

Core values, more than ideals—foundationally, they guide our life. What are ours?

A Case Study: Joseph

Genesis 39:6-10 NIV

Core values, what are ours?

"If you aim at nothing you will hit it every time." – Zig Ziglar

What goal(s) are we aiming at? Any?

What core values and beliefs guide us? Any?

An anchor or a sail? Which one defines us and our core values?

"Beliefs make us who we are, providing a strong foundation to anchor life."

– Steve Sabol

Core values, what are ours?

Our Goal: In life and faith—Be Jesus!

Our Core Values: God First; Bible Based; Relational; Excellent and Authentic!

God First: God Above Everything!

Proverbs 3:6 TLB

Put God First! Is He? If not, why? What's the issue?

Who are we living for? 2 Corinthians 5:15 NLT

A Case Study Contrast: Adam and Jesus

Romans 5:18-19 NLT

Who do we resemble? Seriously!

In everything, put God first—it's a way of life!

Exodus 20:3-5a,7a NIV

Core Values Impact Belief and Behavior

Who or what we worship influences what we say and do.

Matthew 22:37-40 NIV

Our love of God influences our love for and treatment of others.

Proverbs 3:6a TLB

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God First. Proverbs 3:6a TLB

Faith. Galatians 2:20 NIV

Family. Ephesians 5:21 CEV

Friends. Philippians 2:3-5 NIV

Finances. Matthew 6:24 and 33 ESV

A Case Study: Jesus

Luke 22:41-44 NLT

A Case Study: Us

God First: God Above Everything!

Is He? If not, why? What must change?

Luke 9:23 NLT John 3:30 NIV

Surrender – Save – Show – Serve

Proverbs 3:6a TLB

MEMORY VERSE

"In everything you do, put God first, and he will direct you and crown your efforts with success." Proverbs 3:6 TLB

REFLECT

Questions to reflect on in your personal quiet time, with the family and/or in your Life Group.

1. Share your understanding of what the message was about.
2. Share what God said to us through the message.
3. How can we apply and integrate this message into our life?
4. Read Genesis 39:6-10. Foundationally, what core value(s) guided Joseph's life when faced with constant temptation?
5. Read Romans 5:18-19 and Luke 22:41-44. What core value(s) guided Jesus and Adam? Who do we resemble?
6. Read Exodus 20:3-7, Proverbs 3:6, Matthew 6:33. What foundational core value is reiterated? Why?
7. Read 2 Corinthians 5:15, Luke 9:23 and John 3:30. Work thru these steps: Surrender; Save; Show; Serve!

UPCOMING EVENTS

AFTER EASTER FEASTER

Join us next Sunday, April 28 at 12:45 PM for some family fun and a lot of food. We'll have a hamburger/hot dog lunch, a BBQ Contest, Corn Hole Tournament, water slides, bounce houses, and our pastors in a dunking booth. This fundraiser helps to sponsor students attending summer camp. Lunch Donation (suggested price \$5/person or \$20/family of 4 or more) BBQ Contest: \$5 to sample all and vote once and \$1 per ticket for additional to votes; Dunk Booth \$1/three balls.

GRILL MASTERS NEEDED:

Are you great on the grill or with a smoker? Enter the After Easter Feaster BBQ Contest by signing up at the Connection Desk.

WOMEN'S PRAYER EXPERIENCE

Ladies, join us on Thursday, May 2 for an interactive prayer experience at 6:30 PM in Bldg 400. We'll mix and mingle and then visit different rooms specifically designed for prayer with an element of interaction and an atmosphere of reflection.

MEN'S MINISTRY KICK-OFF

Men. sign-up today for "The Non-Sense Games" on Saturday, May 11. This is fun, engaging event where guys can connect with each other, participate in activities, eat good food, and learn about the future of men's ministry at Central, including the 2019 calendar of events. Registration begins at 8:30 AM; Event starts at 9:00 AM