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DIGGING DEEP: TUESDAY 27 October 2026

TOPIC: INTEGRITY - Wholeness Inside and Out

TEXT: Proverbs 11:3: "The integrity of the upright guides them, but the unfaithful are destroyed by their duplicity."

INTRODUCTION

We started deep teachings on the subject matter, INTEGRITY, since the beginning of this month. Today's teaching seeks to strengthen the many invaluable lessons from the first three digging deep sessions.

OUTLINE 1: WHAT IS INTEGRITY?

The word integrity is from the Latin word 'integritas' which means wholeness, completeness, soundness. Also, the word integer which means whole number, not fraction.

Integrity is not just honesty, it is being WHOLE - being 1, not 0.8 in the church and 0.5 in the market. It must be the same inside and out, the same everywhere and all the time.

If the pillar of a house is cracked inside but the building is well painted such that it is beautiful and attractive, is the house safe? That is integrity. Integrity is not just honesty, but wholeness.

Three truths about integrity:

1. God is our standard.

Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever - Heb 13:8. He does not change like fraction. Mal. 3:6.

2. God looks for predictability.

God bragged about Job and Abraham. Can God brag about you? Can God predict you? Gen. 18:19; Job 1:7-8

3. God, the ultimate judge, judges our motives

Integrity starts with motive, not performance. When we come to church on Sundays, everybody wears an angelic look. People will see those fine suits, beautiful dresses and say, wao, but the only thing that is important is what God says.

Gen. 18:25; 1 Sam 16:7

How would your wife, colleague, driver, maid, other people who are close to you describe you in one word? Will they use the same word? Prov 10:9

OUTLINE 2: 'LITMUS TEST' FOR INTEGRITY?

Integrity is not proven during church service on Sundays, but when no one watches. We will consider three test areas:

A. Tested by TIME

God is consistent, ever constant and true. Will you be same believer in 10, 20 years for example or your philosophy and ideology about life would have changed? Ex 34:6

B. Tested by CLIMES (Places/Locations)

Are you the same person when you travel to a location when no one knows you. There is someone up there who sees all. Prov 15:3; Jer 23:24

Why do people behave differently when they travel outside location? Is God location-based?

C. Tested by CIRCUMSTANCES (Secrets)

What do you do alone with another person money/wife/asset? Luke 16:10; Gen 39:7-12

Reflection: Where is your own secret place? Where are you tempted to be two people?

OUTLINE 3: LEADERSHIP & LEGACY

Costs and Consequences of lack of integrity

1. God will reveal whatever is hidden. Gehazi, Ananias & Sapphiras. Num 32:23; 2 Kings 5:20-27
2. Loss, shame and death. Examples: Judas, Ananias and Sapphira. Matt 26:14-16; Acts 5:1-11
3. Generational curse - Gehazi 2 Kings 5:27. Lack of integrity follows children.
4. Failed resources & nation - Gen 41:17-40; Prov 14:34. Lack of integrity, not lack of oil or other natural resources, is one reason many countries struggle and fail.

Christian Call & Evangelism

- We must be like Jesus Christ. Matt 5:37
- Money, position, influence should not change who you are. Your thoughts must match your words and actions. Prov 23:7

Why Evangelism drives & revival lack impact?

- People do not readily accept the good news, not because the word of God has lost its potency, but because many Christians who propagate the gospel today lack integrity and the people see/know it. Today's Christians are not all the same inside and outside in their everyday life.

The light of light of the world are not really shining as expected. Matt. 5:14-16.

- Christians need revival and renewal to be able to shine through the darkness. Rom 12:2; Ps 51:10; Jn. 1:4-5

CLOSING/CONCLUSION

Challenge: This week pick ONE area - home, office, business where you will be the same inside & out. That is where your Thoughts = Words = Actions.

Prayer: Psalm 139:23-24 Search me God, know my heart know anxious See if any offensive way in me, lead me in everlasting way. Amen