NORTH METRO CHURCH

NMC SERMON SERIES CONTENT



"Mix Tape" SERIES OVERVIEW:

Back in the day, if you wanted to put together a playlist of some of your favorite songs and favorite artists that you could listen to by the pool, on the way to the beach, or during a summer road trip, you would make a mixtape.

It's not an album with a main idea. It's a collection of great songs by great artists that you love and enjoy.

We're doing the same thing this summer with our three-week teaching series, Mixtape.

Each Sunday, we'll hear from a new teacher, bringing one of their favorite sermons, to contribute to Mixtape; all compiled to communicate biblical truths and helpful applications.

"MIX TAPE" WEEK 3



Discussion Questions:

Read Genesis 1:26-30

God appoints humans as his representatives to rule the world on his behalf. The image of God consists of male and female together ruling in unity over all of creation. This is a bold vision of human identity and responsibility.

Reflection 1:

Who is created in God's image? What does that mean for how you view yourself and others? What does that mean for how you live?

Reflection 2:

What do you think it says about God that he invites humans to rule with him?

Read Psalm 8

In Psalm 8, the poet is reflecting on humanity's identity and calling to rule creation with God. He ponders how weak and "low" humans are compared to the stars and the heavenly beings, yet God is pleased to partner and share his glory with them.

Reflection 1:

Read verses 4-5 again and reflect on what stands out to you the most.

Reflection 2:

In this poem, humans are both weak and tiny, but also glorious and capable. Do you see yourself this way? What would change if you did?

Read Colossians 1:13-20 and Colossians 3:8-13.

In these passages, Paul identifies Jesus as "the image of the invisible God," who is the real king of creation that humbled himself to die on our behalf (1:13-20). Paul also writes that Jesus' followers are being "renewed...in the image of the creator" (3:8-13), which results in compassion, kindness, humility, and other godly qualities.

Reflection 1:

What do you resonate with most when you read these passages?

Reflection 2:

Both of these passages emphasize God's desire to bring unity through Jesus. Take a moment to reflect on what it might look like to actively participate in bringing unity in your life or community.

What would you like to remember about this message?

*These questions have been taken from an article entitled the "Image of God" by the Bible Project. This article can be accessed in full at;

https://bibleproject.com/church-at-home/week6-image-of-god/