



A NEW KIND OF YOU
"A New Power"

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1. How has this series, "A New Kind of You," personally impacted your understanding of God, of yourself, and how you relate to others?
2. Pray for the Spirit to bless this time of study, reflection, and integration of the Gospel into our lives for His glory.
3. Discuss the practical implications of the following statement from Pastor Derwin: "**Christianity is about** what Jesus has done for **Us**, what Jesus wants to do **In** us, and what Jesus wants to do **thru** us, so that we would be His Father's strategic marketing plan." Give practical examples.
4. Read Ephesians 1:11-14.
 - In verses 11-12, the Apostle Paul is talking about Jews first hearing the Gospel, then Gentiles hearing and responding. Ephesus was a collection of local churches that were multi-ethnic (Jews and Gentiles, non-Jews of various ethnic backgrounds). This was shocking, considering that Jews would not associate with Gentiles; for many Jews, Gentiles were unclean. Now through Jesus, they were one.
 - How has being a part of a multi-ethnic church transformed your life? Give specific examples.
 - In Jesus, our eternity is secure and guaranteed (see vs. 13-14).
 - In Jesus, because we're sealed by the Holy Spirit, we can never be separated from God's love (Romans 8:35-39) and we can never be snatched out of God's hand (Romans 10:28). We'll have new resurrection bodies in the New Heavens and New Earth.
 - What are the practical implications of this Gospel truth in your life?

5. In Jesus, our today is empowered by God the Holy Spirit to join Jesus on His mission (vs.14).

- Read Galatians 5:22-24.
 - How do we access the Fruit of the Spirit? What are the practical implications of the Spirit in our lives?
 - In verse 24, because we belong to Jesus, we have a new nature and a new heart; we no longer have to be slaves to sin. Because we are in Jesus and Jesus is in us, the Spirit will produce fruit.
- Read Romans 12:1-8. This is not a full outline of the gifts of the Spirit (See also 1 Corinthians 12).
 - Please note, as per the TC doctrinal statement (see “Beliefs” under the “New Here” section of our website): “We believe that God is sovereign in bestowing spiritual gifts. It is, however, the believer's responsibility to attempt to develop their spiritual gift(s). **The baptism of the Holy Spirit occurs at conversion and is the placing of the believer into the Body of Christ.** We also believe that particular spiritual gift(s) are neither essential, nor prove the presence of the Holy Spirit, nor an indication of deep spiritual experience.”
 - At TC, we will pursue Jesus, as we have done from day one, and continue to do so. He will give us what we need to join Him on mission. Disunity and divisiveness on the issue of spiritual gifts will not be tolerated at TC.

6. Why did the Father, the Son, and the Spirit bless us? “...to the praise of His glorious grace...” (vs. 6, 12, 14b)

- Church, we are God’s strategic marketing plan. What are the practical implications of this Gospel truth?

Soul-tattoo:

A New Kind of You is a you that is all about Him.

Grow in your new kind of you-ness by participating in the 5 Characteristics of a Transformer.

Pray for TC Rock Hill!