Exaggerated Perspective Chris Highfield 10/16/2022

Isaiah 55:8-9 - “For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways,” declares the LORD. As the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.

1. The Situation

John 14:1-3 - “Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God; believe also in me. **2**My Father’s house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you? **3**And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am.

* Exaggerated \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Matthew 16:21 – From that time on Jesus began to explain to his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things at the hands of the elders, the chief priests and the teachers of the law, and that he must be killed and on the third day be raised to life.

* Exaggerated \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Matthew 26:47- While he was still speaking, Judas, one of the Twelve, arrived. With him was a large crowd armed with swords and clubs, sent from the chief priests and the elders of the people.

John 18: 10 - Then Simon Peter, who had a sword, drew it and struck the high priest’s servant, cutting off his right ear.

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John 20:19 – On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of the Jewish leaders

1. The Solution

How do we realign our perspective?

* Grow in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ not in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Galatians 5:16 - So I say, let the Holy Spirit guide your lives. Then you won’t be doing what your sinful nature craves.

Galatians 5:25 - Since we are living by the Spirit, let us follow the Spirit’s leading in every part of our lives.

* Grow in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Luke 5:16 – “Jesus often withdrew to lonely places to pray”

Luke 22:42 – “Not my will by yours be done”

* Grow in the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Hebrews 4:12 - For the word of God is alive and powerful. It is sharper than the sharpest two-edged sword, cutting between soul and spirit, between joint and marrow. It exposes our innermost thoughts and desires.