

**It's Time to Change Your Profile**  
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**USING THIS SERMON DISCUSSION GUIDE**

We have provided all the Scriptures referenced in the sermon and some discussion questions for you to use to facilitate a discussion.

This Sermon Discussion Guide is only a tool to aid you in meeting the needs of your group. For most groups, there are too many questions to answer in one session together.

While the questions are important, remember your group's goal is not to pound through the questions but to create an atmosphere that will foster true friendships, so use the discussion questions as you see fit, but emphasize the relationships.

**We're Been Made New**

**2 Corinthians 5:15, 17**

*"And he [Jesus] died for all, that those who live should no longer live for themselves but for him who died for them and was raised again.*

*Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!"*

Yet, we don't always get it right! There are times we feel:

- ✓ **Confused** - about life, the decisions we've made . . .
- ✓ **Lonely** - You can be lonely anywhere. Speaks of our depth with God and others
- ✓ **Shame** - This happens when we sin. Guilt is about what we've done, but shame is about who we are. It becomes an identity problem.

**Romans 3:23**

*"For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God."*

## The Hope

### 2 Corinthians 5:21

*“God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.”*

### Romans 6:4

*“We were therefore buried with him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life.”*

#### 1. Realize how much God loves you.

John 3:16: “For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.”

#### 2. Repent and turn to follow Jesus.

Acts 3:19: “Repent, then, and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out, that times of refreshing may come from the Lord.”

#### 3. Edit your profile.

2 Corinthians 5:17: “Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!”

1 John 1:9: “If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.”

## Talk it Through

1. What’s your experience with social media? Do you find it a place of transparency?
2. Social media has our culture wrapped up in “following” people and being “followed.” Jesus said, “Follow me.” Considering Jesus’ words, who are you following? Who, or what, has your attention?
3. When have you experienced a redemptive situation, where God “copied and pasted His life” over your sin or failure? Share with the group.
4. What are some things you can do this week to clear the clutter in your life? In other words, what distractions need to be eliminated? What do you need to “unsubscribe” from?
5. Who, in your life, can you turn to for help in “editing your profile?” What qualities do they possess that have guided your faith journey?

