

# WALKING IN INTEGRITY

Malachi 2.1-9 // November 3, 2024

## COVENANT RELATIONSHIP

“Covenant” isn’t a word we often use in our relationships, but a covenant is what frames up God’s relationship with His people. It is a commitment built up on relationship, which is why we call it the “covenant of marriage.” It is not simply a contract or formal business agreement, but a relational commitment on both sides for mutual benefit.

Colossians 3.17 // 1 John 4.19 // John 15.16 // Romans 12.1

**It is not “too much” nor “demanding”  
for a spouse to insist upon faithfulness.  
The same can be said about Christ and His bride.**

## THE INTEGRATED LIFE

Israel had a worship problem, and it started with their leaders. It is nearly a universal truth that if you can corrupt or crumble the top of any organization or group, it will infect the rest. As the saying goes, “like priest, like people.”

Two specific things are mentioned by the Lord that priests need to correct:

- **Living Correctly:** Their actions are not lining up with God’s Word
- **Teaching Correctly:** They are teaching others falsely.

Matthew 23.27, 28 // James 1.22-25

## INTEGRATED WITH CHRIST

On our own, we don’t live lives that are perfectly integrated. We all fall short, each one of us, every day. But this is the miracle of rebirth:

**When we are born again, we are regenerated.  
And when we are regenerated, we are integrated.**

When we are hidden in Christ, we are integrated into *His* righteousness, *His* character, and *His perfection and purity*. **We now walk by faith in confidence that we are in Him.**

Together, as His people and as saved sinners, we walk with another toward the finish line, as every one of us now are priests in His Kingdom, ministering one to another and in the presence of Christ.

Hebrews 3.13

## NOTES:

### Announcements:

**Women’s Gathering:** Tomorrow, November 4<sup>th</sup> @ 7pm. Carrie Erdos will be hosting and Karen Garner will be leading a discussion on praying in the Spirit.

**Community Meal and Newcomers Lunch:** Chili cook-off and cinnamon rolls today after service! Stick around and enjoy this fun tradition with your church family!

### This Week’s Call to Worship Psalm:

Psalm 99:103

### This Week’s Scripture to Memorize:

1 Peter 1:3-4

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you,

## ARE YOU NEW HERE?

### WELCOME TO LIFE MISSION!

We’d love for you to **fill out a Connection Card** so we can welcome you and answer any questions you may have. You can drop it in the offering basket during the service or take it to one of our teammates at the **Connection Booth** outside. Feel free to grab some coffee and snacks in the courtyard and hang out. We hope you’ll **join us next Sunday** and consider making us your church family.

### WHAT ABOUT THE KIDS?

Our childrens’ ministry, which we call **Kids on Mission**, has classes for **newborns - 5th grade**. We have a great team of volunteers who have all been screened with background checks for extra security. Each week your child will get to **worship** with their class, followed by an **age-appropriate lesson** that points them towards Jesus and helps root them in the Word of God.

Visit our website to read more about the vision of Kids on Mission and a walkthrough of our curriculum. If you have any questions, email **Amber Willis at [amber@lifemission.tv](mailto:amber@lifemission.tv)**

### JUNIOR HIGH & HIGH SCHOOL

Our **6th - 8th graders** begin each Sunday by **worshipping with the adults** and then head to their classroom with their teacher and classmates for the rest of service. Visit our website to read more about our junior high ministry and a walkthrough of our curriculum.

Our **9th-12th graders stay in the service** with the adults because we believe that it is crucial for them to not “graduate the faith” when they graduate high school.

For more information about our Junior High & High School ministries, email **Tyler Willis at [tyler@lifemission.tv](mailto:tyler@lifemission.tv)**.



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## COMMUNITY GROUP HOMEWORK

Open the evening by reading the **Call to Worship Psalm** and reciting the **Memory Verse** together. Then pray the Psalm and the Memory Verse to open up discussion.

Read **Malachi 2.1-9**. What stands out in this verse and from Sunday's sermon?

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### Preaching the Gospel to Yourself

Living a life of integrity is a daunting task; one that we will never do perfectly. But in those times that we know that we fall short, we have a hope that is better than our own performance. What prevents you from having a thriving relationship with Christ, and what Gospel truths help you have confidence and boldness to combat the things that hinder you?

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### Your Life Mission

We all know that one of the top reasons why people claim to not follow Christ is the hypocrisy of Christians. And although it is not a good reason to follow Christ, it is a very real experience many have. Walking in integrity is a critical part of our own life mission as followers of Christ.

What relationships are you hoping to share this Good News with? Are there areas of life that you may need to confess and repent of to them? Often times, humility and acknowledgement of areas where you have not been a faithful witness can be quite intriguing to others who have not seen humility in a believer. How can others be praying with you as you pursue those conversations?

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## THE LORD'S P.R.A.Y.er MODEL

- **Preaching the Gospel to Yourself (Matthew 6.9, 10)**
- **Repent and Confess (Matthew 6.12)**
- **Ask for Provision (Matthew 6.11-13)**
- **Yield with Thanksgiving (Matthew 6.10)**

Father, be glorified in \_\_\_\_\_, let Your Kingdom and will be done, in and through \_\_\_\_\_ as it is in Heaven.

Give \_\_\_\_\_ daily bread, and thank You for Your forgiveness.  
Help \_\_\_\_\_ to forgive \_\_\_\_\_,  
because You are the One who has forgiven us.

Keep \_\_\_\_\_ eyes fixed on You and Your Word and promises  
so that \_\_\_\_\_ may not sin against You.  
Thank You for and help me trust Your sovereign love.



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MAKING DISCIPLES WHO MAKE DISCIPLES LOCALLY AND GLOBALLY,  
WHO ARE SAVED, EQUIPPED, AND SENT BY THE GOSPEL.



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## SUNDAYS AT 10AM

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