

Message Summary

BIG IDEA: Jesus is sickened by halfhearted faith and invites us to the life-changing journey of wholehearted faith.

“*Christian-ish*” means having a halfhearted faith or wearing the label of Christianity without truly following Jesus. We don’t want to be *Christian-ish*.

Signs You Might Be Lukewarm

- You only turn to God when you need something.
- You care more about pleasing people than God.
- You rationalize sin.
- You rarely talk about your faith.
- You don’t look like Jesus.

Key Scripture

“I know your deeds, that you are neither cold nor hot. I wish you were either one or the other! So, because you are lukewarm—neither hot nor cold—I am about to spit you out of my mouth. You say, ‘I am rich; I have acquired wealth and do not need a thing.’ But you do not realize that you are wretched, pitiful, poor, blind and naked. ... Those whom I love I rebuke and discipline. So be earnest and repent. Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with that person, and they with me.”
Revelation 3:15-17, 19-20 NIV

Start Talking

- Was there a time when you realized something you didn’t know (e.g. food between your teeth)? How did you realize it?

Start Thinking

- Which part of the message was most impactful for you and why?
- Which word or phrase from the Key Scripture speaks to you?
- Think about someone you know who actively follows Jesus. What are some things that are different about them or their lives?

Start Sharing

- Look at the Signs of Lukewarm Faith. Did this tool help you realize something new about yourself?
- Reflect on this statement: “Maybe there’s a whole greater world with God that’s available to us and we don’t even realize it. Maybe there’s something more wonderful and incredible to God’s love than we have ever known, and we haven’t even scratched the surface.” How would you live differently if you believed this was true? How does it change your desire to grow spiritually knowing that Jesus is sick with worry for you because you’re missing out on your spiritual purpose?
- Is there an area of your life that you need to surrender and give to God so that you can have more wholehearted faith?

Start Praying

Loving God, thank you for inviting us to fully follow you. Please help us to surrender everything to you. Help us actively pursue an intimate relationship with you. We acknowledge that we are not as fully present at the table as we could be. We realize that we’re missing out, and so we want to know more of you and more of your love for us. Help us move toward more wholehearted faith, so that we may truly feast with you at your table. In Jesus’ name, amen.

Start Doing

- Commit to actively pursue your relationship with Jesus through a spiritual discipline such as worship, prayer, or Bible reading.
- Start the Bible Plan *What Does It Mean to Follow Jesus*:
www.go2.lc/jesus