Life Group Questions: "Jesus Centred Faith" Colossians 3:1-17

Icebreaker: If you had to choose three words that describe you, what would they be? How much do those words come from what you do, and how much from who you are?

1. The sermon began with the question: ***"What is the centre of your universe?"*** What are some things that people commonly build their identity around? Why might they eventually disappoint us?

2. What happens when our job, family, success, or hobbies become our identity? Have you ever experienced a time when something important to your identity was shaken or taken away?

3. What do you think Paul means when he says believers have been *"raised with Christ"* v1? How does understanding who we are change how we live?

4. The sermon emphasised: *"Who you are first, then what flows out."* How does remembering that we are God's children help us face failure, temptation or discouragement?

5. Which "*old self*" attitudes or behaviours listed by Paul in verses 8-10 do you think are most common in today's culture? Which do you find most challenging to put off personally?

6. The sermon asked *"What still triggers us?"* What situations tend to bring out your "old self"? maybe criticism? being ignored? feeling rushed? tiredness? disappointment? Why do you think those situations affect us so strongly?

7. *"Am I becoming the person I want everyone else to be?"* Which quality from verse 12 would you most like to see in others? How well are you developing that quality yourself?

8. Which of the qualities Paul mentions in verses 12-15 do you most admire? Which one do you sense God particularly wants to develop in you right now?

9. We were asked to complete this sentence: *"When* _____ *happens, I will put off* _____ *and put on* _____*."* How would you complete it? (For example: "When I am criticised, I will put off defensiveness and put on gentleness.")

Application: What is one situation this week where you want to respond more like someone who belongs to Jesus?

Closing Prayer: "Jesus, You are the centre. Help me respond as someone who belongs to You."