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**Message Series:** Getting Real (Lifechange) in 2018

**Today's Message:** "I'm Tired of Going to Church"

Hebrews 5:12, 13 "... you have been believers so long now that you ought to be teaching others... You are like babies who need milk and cannot eat solid food."

**Truth:** Our churches are at \_\_\_\_\_: "Preaching to the choir," "Kicking at an open door."

Hebrews 6:1-3 "So let us stop going over the basic teachings about Christ again and again, Let us go on instead and become mature... You don't need further instruction... God willing, we will move forward..."

Isaiah 29:12, 15 "And the Lord said, 'Because this people draw near with their mouth and honor me with their lips while their hearts are far from Me'... you who hide from the Lord... whose deeds are in the dark, and who say, "Who sees us? Who knows us?"

Isaiah 29:22-24 "Jacob shall no more be ashamed, no more shall his face grow pale... and will stand in awe of the God of Israel. And those who go astray in spirit will come to understanding..."

Romans 14:7, 8 "For none of us lives to himself, and none of us dies to himself. For if we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord."

Romans 13:8, 11, 12 "Owe no one anything, except to love each other, for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law... the hour has come for you to wake up from sleep... The night is far gone, the day is at hand. So then let us cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light."

## The Power of True, Deep \_\_\_\_\_

### #1. Examples of Great \_\_\_\_\_.

1. **David and Jonathan:** 1 Samuel 18:1 "After David had finished talking with Saul, Jonathan became one in spirit with David, and he loved him as himself."

**Amazing** \_\_\_\_\_: loyalty, sacrifices, dangerous risks, total devotion in covenant.

2. **Ruth and Naomi:** Ruth 1:16, 17 "... wherever you go, I will go, wherever you live, I will live. Your people shall be my people, and your God, my God. Where you die, I will die and there I will be buried."

3. **Jesus and His disciples:** John 15:13-16

**Truth:** Jesus was clear about the \_\_\_\_\_ involved in following Him but the infinite rewards are simply staggering!

\* Jesus spent time, shared His pain, humbled Himself \_\_\_\_\_.

### #2. Essentials of Truly Becoming Like Christ.

⇒ **Love**—caring that wants to see the others \_\_\_\_\_, a love that sees each other realistically

⇒ **Honesty**—not ignoring what is reality, daring to risk conflict by giving “\_\_\_\_\_”

⇒ **Intimacy**—sharing your soul; that is who you really are

Matthew 26:36-46