

# THE COMMONS LEADER GUIDE

April 21

## NOT MY JESUS - FULL PLEASURE

### MAIN SCRIPTURES

ROMANS 8

### ADDITIONAL SCRIPTURES

Romans 5:8 1

John 1:9

1 Timothy 1:15

Ephesians 2:8-9

Isaiah 43:25

Hebrews 7:25

### MAIN POINT

Christ has full pleasure in you, even with the full picture of you.

### RESOURCES

Read this [article](#) from *Desiring God*.

Watch this short [video](#) from Pastor Joby Martin

## UPCOMING EVENTS

END OF YEAR GATHERING - May 5th

PARTNERSHIP CLASS - May 4th

## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

### INTRO

1. What part of the message felt like it was aimed directly at you, and why do you think that is?
2. Think of a time you misread someone's opinion of you (either better or worse than reality). How did that belief affect the way you acted around them?
3. Fill in the blank honestly: "When God thinks about me, He probably feels \_\_\_\_\_." Where do you think that belief came from?

### SCRIPTURE

1. Read Romans 8:1-17.  
Which identity in this passage (child, adopted, heir, free, etc.) feels hardest for you to actually believe about yourself? Why?
2. What parts of your life still operate like you're trying to earn God's approval instead of living from it? Be specific.
3. Read Romans 8:18-39.  
When you mess up or fall into sin, what is your default response (hide, fix it, minimize it, beat yourself up?) How does this passage challenge that response?

### APPLICATION

1. The message said: "Christ has full pleasure in you, even with the full picture of you." What part of your "full picture" do you most struggle to believe God could actually accept?
2. Where does performance still drive your relationship with God? (quiet time, serving, sin management, comparison, etc.) How can you tell?
3. Do you tend to relate to God more like a Father or an evaluator? Why?
4. If you actually believed God isn't disappointed in you, what would change about the way you approach Him this week? (prayer, confession, honesty, consistency, etc.)
5. How does a passage like this drive your desire to reach your "One More"?

