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STUDY GUIDE | JANUARY 30, 2022

MAKING SPACE FOR JESUS

THE POINTS FROM THIS WEEK'S MESSAGE WERE:

- Making space for Jesus to shape people together in God's love.

LET'S TALK

1. What impacted you the most from this week's message?
2. During this pandemic, has your life become busier or slower? What has been your favourite way to distract yourself?
3. Pastor Steve says, *"It's very easy for confessing Christians, like most of us, to pretty much let Jesus and his priorities get crowded right out of our lives. We may call Jesus Lord and Master, but the reality is that far too many of us leave precious little space for Jesus in our hearts and minds, in our routines and schedules, in our work and relationships."*

How do these words speak to you? How do they challenge you?

4. Read *Revelation* 3:15-16, 19-20.
Would you describe your faith as hot, cold or lukewarm?

It's easy for Christians to feel guilty when they're not actively living out their faith. But Jesus doesn't want your religious performance, he wants YOU and to spend time with you (v. 20). How does that change your spiritual motivation?

We make space for Jesus and spend time with him in our daily and weekly rhythms – through practices like prayer, scripture reflection, Sunday worship, and fellowship with other believers. Which one of these practices do you gravitate towards? Which one would you like to grow in?

5. Pastor Steve says, *"Self-sacrificial Christ-like love is the whole ball game. It's the all-or-nothing of the Christian life. If we don't get love right, there's nothing else worth getting right."* Do you agree with this statement? Do you think most people would define the Christian life this way?

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6. Debra Hersch says, "*The chief role of the church is to create the right environment for all people to be able to encounter Jesus. Everything else that we do is relative to this great cause.*" What ways have you seen Cornerstone "make space" for Jesus?
7. What is one way you can make space this week to spend time with Jesus (Rev 3:20)?

LET'S PRAY: Spend some time in prayer (for each other, for our community and for the world).