

Series: Just Jesus  
Passage: Colossians 2:6-7  
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## THE LIFE CHALLENGE

### CONNECT

An oxymoron is two or more words that contradict. See if you can come up with a few examples of an oxymoron.

**OXYMORONS**  
deafening silence  
instant classic  
working vacation

### IDENTITY

The Bible talks a lot about the Christian life as both belief/faith/trust AND also putting this all into practice. How do you think we can balance these two essential elements?

Out of Paul's four walking images, which one jumped out most to you? Why? **[rooted, built up, established, grateful]**

If baptism is an expression of establishing your faith, then share your baptism story. Where and when and what did it mean to you?



*Piglet noticed that even though he had a very small heart, it could hold a rather large amount of gratitude.*

### THE EXAMEN

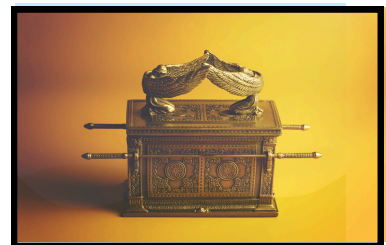
If you had to give yourself a mark today for rooted, current construction and established in the faith, what would you rate your walk for each one?

Speaking of tree roots, Charles Spurgeon said "We cannot be established except by suffering". Do you agree or disagree and why?

### PRACTICE

Paul uses the word *superabound* for our gratitude. What's a practice you could try this week to connect to grace and gratitude?

If we are a temple of God's very presence, what place (or person) in your life do you think needs this presence most?



### PRAY TOGETHER

We talked about gratitude this week which is always a challenge and a perspective changer. Take some time to practice thanksgiving together. Take a few moments of quiet reflection and then take turns praying one thing at a time you are thankful for. Keep going around until you feel done.