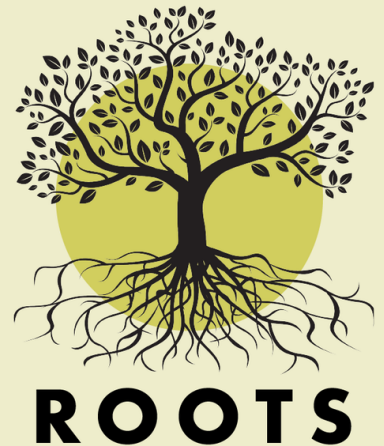


Roots: Go Deep

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A cool picture... Jeremiah 17: 7-8

“But blessed are those who trust in the LORD and have made the LORD their hope and confidence.

They are like trees planted along a riverbank, with roots that reach deep into the water.

Such trees are not bothered by the heat or worried by long months of drought.

Their leaves stay green, and they never stop producing fruit.”



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Matthew 22: 36-38

‘Teacher, which is the greatest commandment in the Law?’

Jesus replied: “Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.”

This is the first and greatest commandment.



Roots & relationship

John 5: 19-20

Jesus gave them this answer: 'Very truly I tell you, the Son can do nothing by himself; he can do only what he sees his Father doing, because whatever the Father does the Son also does.

For the Father loves the Son and shows him all he does.

Yes, and he will show him even greater works than these, so that you will be amazed.



Roots & real life

In (and for!) the good times...

John 2: 6-7

Nearby stood six stone water jars, the kind used by the Jews for ceremonial washing, each holding from eighty to a hundred and twenty litres.

Jesus said to the servants, 'Fill the jars with water'; so they filled them to the brim.



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When life is full...

Mark 1: 35

Very early in the morning, while it was still dark, Jesus got up, left the house and went off to a solitary place, where he prayed.



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In the darkest times...

Mark 14: 36

‘Abba, Father,’ he said, ‘everything is possible for you. Take this cup from me. Yet not what I will, but what you will.’



Roots & our response

Roots, relationship & real life

What does a relationship with Jesus mean and look like for you?
Are there parts of your real life that you need to get Jesus involved in?

Roots need care, time, and the support of others to grow.

Where do you feel like your roots are at?
What can you do to care for your roots and encourage them to grow?
Whose roots are you investing in to?
Who's encouraging yours to grow?



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