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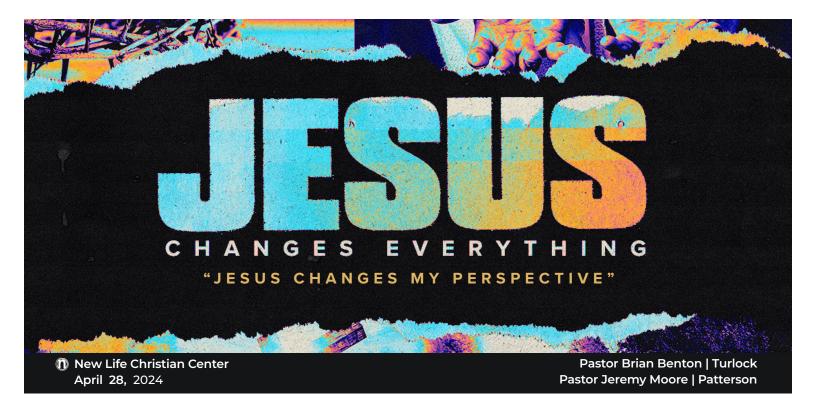
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# [CONNECT]

Share a time in your life when receiving a new perspective changed everything for you.

# [ENGAGE]

What stood out to you from this weekend's message?

## [GROW]

Start by reading 2 Corinthians 4:16-18 and share your thoughts on what Paul is saying in these verses.

- Verse 16, in some translations, tells us not to lose heart. What exactly is Paul challenging us with here? What things can we do if we feel ourselves losing heart?
- Paul calls his, and our, troubles light and momentary. How does this sit with you? What perspective might he be seeing these troubles through?

How can Jesus 'change how you see yourself?

- Read Romans 7:24-25. Talk about the battle that Paul is wrestling with. Can you relate to this battle?
- Paul writes in Romans 5:10 that Jesus reconciled us. What does that mean?

Read Hebrews 6:16-19 and talk about the Hope of God, what does that look like?

• How does God's hope change your perspective?

# [LEAD (YOURSELF)]

Sometime this week, ask yourself these questions:

In what area of my life does my perspective need to change?

Have I talked to God and asked Him to change my perspective?

What I do today that will help me start to see things differently?