

Sermon Discussion Questions: August 16, 2026

Perfected, Yet Being Perfected

Sermon Series: Running the Race of Faith

Passage: Hebrews 10:1-18

1. Ask if 2-3 people in your Community Group would share a time when they messed up. How did it make them feel about themselves? Did they project any of those feelings on God?
2. Bob explained that “living under the law” means constantly evaluating yourself by your success or failure to fulfill standards—your internal standards or those imposed from other sources (family, work, community, church). What’s a standard you live under?
3. Hebrews 10:10 and the first part of Hebrews 10:14 explicitly state that if you are a Christian, your standing before God is that you are already sanctified (holy) based on the sacrifice of Jesus. Accepted, beloved, perfected for all time. How can you access this when you have messed up?
4. The second part of Hebrews 10:14 says we are “being sanctified” – a process in the present tense. Share how you have experienced the two operating systems—the “flesh operating system” and the “Spirit operating system”—warring in your life.
5. Galatians 5 says we are to crucify the flesh—that is identify those desires which are more important to us than Jesus—and to turn them over to the Lord. And we are to walk in the Spirit—asking the Lord to build the fruit of the Spirit into our lives (love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, self-control). What are some ways can we do this personally? How can we support one another in doing this?