

Week 2: Wonderlife

Title: Life marker #1 – My Story Matters

Questions

- who am I? And it's the question of identity
- why am I here? And this is a question of purpose

Psalm 139:14 (NIV)

I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made;
your works are wonderful,
I know that full well.

Big Idea:

‘Every part of my story makes me who I am, even the messy parts.

Question: What price would you charge for your story?

John 16:33 (NIV)

“I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world.”

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“Anyone God uses significantly is always deeply wounded...On the last day, Jesus will look us over not for medals, diplomas, or honors, but for scars.” Brennan Manning – *Ruthless Trust*

Romans 9:25 (NLT)

“Those who were not my people,
I will now call my people.
And I will love those
whom I did not love before.”

Jesus' scars show His identity

Two other things Jesus' scars showed us:

- **troubles and hurt are a part of living in this world.**
- **he's healed from his wounds.**

Matthew 5:14-16 (CSB)

¹⁴ “You are the light of the world. A city situated on a hill cannot be hidden. ¹⁵ No one lights a lamp and puts it under a basket, but rather on a lampstand, and it gives light for all who are in the house. ¹⁶ In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

Ain't the scar like a vision of grace?

The wound is where the light shines through

The wound is where the light finds you

Switchfoot – *Where the Light Shines Through*

Mark 4:39 (NIV)

³⁹ (Jesus) got up, rebuked the wind and said to the waves, “Quiet! Be still!” Then the wind died down and it was completely calm.