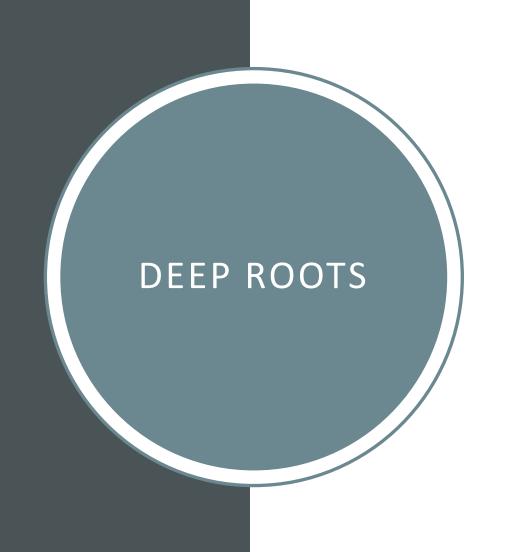


Deep Roots – what God wants to do in us

- To be conformed into the image of Jesus –
 Romans 8.29
- To be led by the Holy Spirit Galatians
 5.25

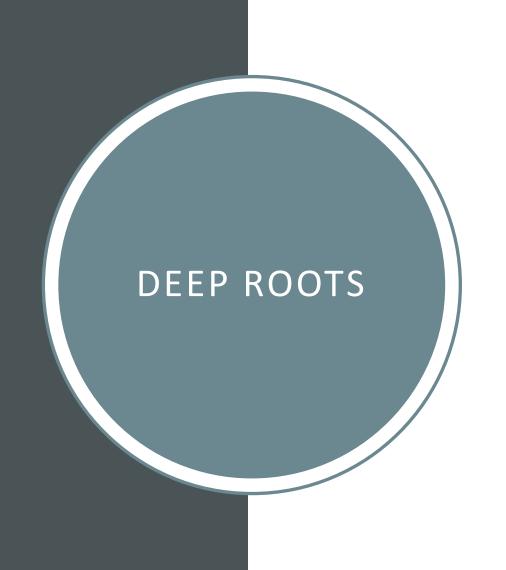
Broad Branches – what God wants to do through us

- To do the good works God has created for us to do – Ephesians 2.10
- To find our Marietta Jeremiah 29.4-7



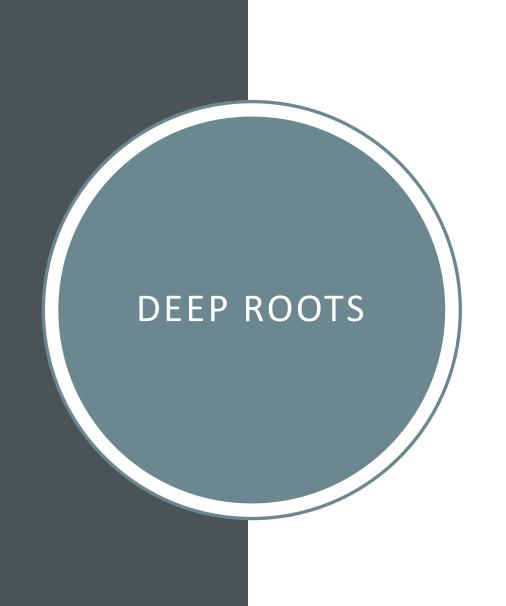
Romans 8.29

For those God foreknew he also predestined (decided beforehand) to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brothers and sisters.

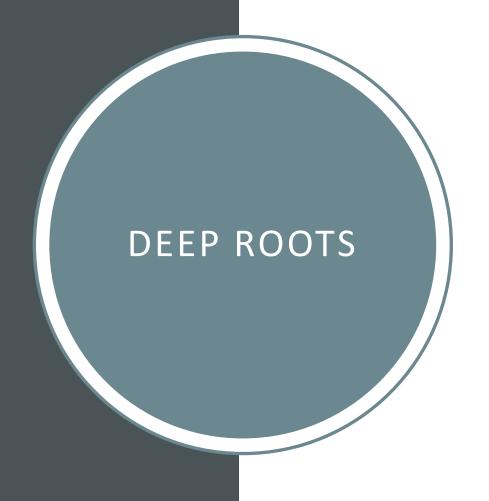


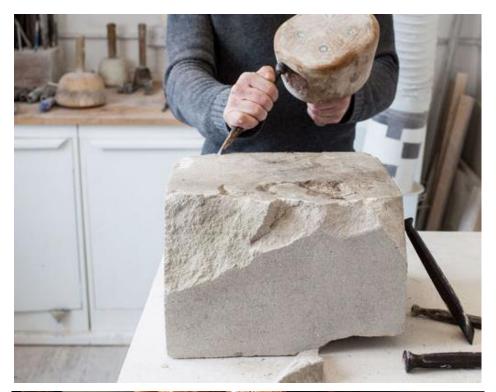
Character of Jesus = Fruit of the Spirit (Galatians 5.22-23)

- Love includes towards God and others; holds object in high esteem and expresses itself in concrete ways- doing what is best for another regardless of personal cost
- Joy great delight rooted in a conscious relationship with God regardless of external circumstances
- Peace state of contentment, regardless of external circumstances, rooted in relationship with God and confidence that He works all things together for good

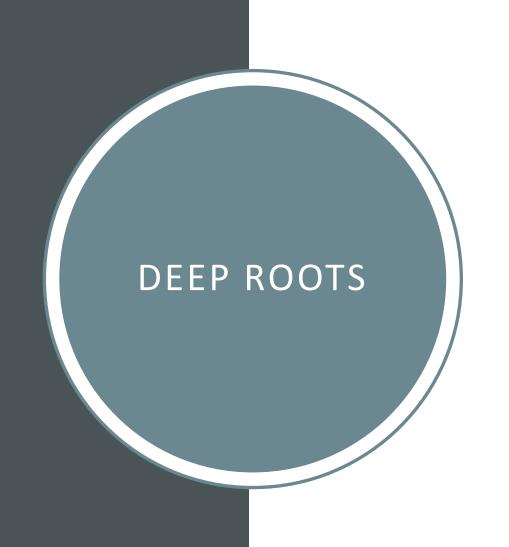


- Patience long-suffering under injuries inflicted by others
- Kindness showing goodness and concern towards others
- Goodness actively seeking to provide what is useful/beneficial to others
- Gentleness ability to bear insults w/o bitterness; ability to provide soothing influence on someone who is angry, bitter, or resentful
- Faithfulness reliability; loyalty
- Self-control holding in of passions and appetites; self-restraint









Galatians 5.25

Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit (follow the Spirit's leading in every part of our lives.)

DEEP ROOTS

Jesus Our Good Shepherd

- Psalm 23.1-3 The Lord is my shepherd, I lack nothing...He makes me lie down...leads me...guides me
- John 10.27 My sheep listen to My voice; I know them, and they follow Me.



DEEP ROOTS

Led not Dragged

- We yield to leading of the Spirit
- He won't force us to go
 where we are unwilling to
 go He convicts, urges,
 stirs, but He doesn't
 coerce





Led not Lured

Flesh/world/devil – tempt us to stray from God's path



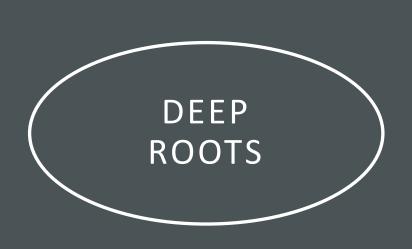


Led not Driven

Driven by:

- Desire to succeed, to achieve, to make a mark
- Fear of missing out, losing
- **Expectations** our or others
- Wounds unhealed hurts





God speaks to us through:

- Bible truth for all people in all places for all time; forgive those who sin against you, honor parents, give generously, etc.
- Holy Spirit highly personal and individualized; decisions unique to you – family, career, location, etc.
 - Speaks through thoughts, images, and feelings
- Church people who love God and love us
- Bigger the decision = more we want these 3 to align

DEEP ROOTS



