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Challenged & Blessed

What Really Counts

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Love your neighbor.....such a common statement that we know and live.

How might you go deeper in understanding this command?

What does it look and sound like in your everyday life?

It doesn't matter whether we have been circumcised or not. What counts is whether we have been _____ into a _____ creation. (v. 15)

What does it mean to be transformed in Christ? How is this lived out in your daily life?

When you pray for _____, God gives you an opportunity to be _____.

What are you praying about these days? How might God be answering this prayer?

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