

# The Greatest Show

Discussion Guide for January 27, 2019

## Message Overview:

Have you ever felt like you're putting on a show? Like the person people think you are doesn't line up with the person you really are. Or maybe you've been known to put on different personas for different situations, personas that help you fit in with certain crowds, even if that persona doesn't reflect who you really want to be. We can all relate because we all struggle with the same big questions. Who am I? Who loves me? Why am I here? We can answer these questions by looking into scripture to see what God has to say about us. Scripture is clear that in Jesus we are loved, we can be forgiven, that we have purpose, and that we all belong. From this we know that God has given us through Jesus everything that we need to live a full and purposeful life. A life that is not dependent on what everyone else around us thinks about us.

## Message Scripture

Genesis 1:1-3, 10-31, 2:18, 3:9

## Discussion Questions

1. What stood out to you from this morning's message?
2. In what way does your life feel a little bit like a circus right now?
3. Have you ever let someone's negative opinion cause you to think less of yourself?
4. In what ways have you been dependent on the love, and acceptance of your peers, facebook friends, or co-workers? How has that caused you to develop a persona that does not reflect who you really are? Explain.
5. Read Romans 6:6, 15:7, and John 1:12. In each of these passages what does God say you are?
6. If God says this about us how are we, as the church, supposed to respond? In what way *will* you respond this week?