

THRIVE series 2018  
week 1 outline  
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**ROOTED:**

planted. confident. fruitful.

*"Therefore, as you received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in him, rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving."* **Colossians 2:6-7**

**I. Now Walk it Out**

**A. Where we used to walk...** (Eph 2:1-3)

1. Dead
  - a. in sin
  - b. in trespasses
2. Following
  - a. the course of the world
  - b. the prince of power of the air
3. Living
  - a. in passion of the flesh
  - b. carrying out the desires of the body and mind
  - c. by nature children of wrath

**B. But God...** (Eph 2:4-7)

1. Rich in mercy
  - a. because of His great love
  - b. even while we were still sinners
2. Made us alive
  - a. together with Him
  - b. saved by grace
  - c. raised with Him in Christ
  - d. seated with Him in Christ
3. So He might show
  - a. immeasurable riches of His Grace
  - b. in kindness towards us in Christ

**C. Now We Walk...** (Eph 2:8-10)

1. By Grace
  - a. we have been saved
2. Through Faith
  - a. which is a gift
  - b. not a wage
  - c. so don't boast

3. God's Workmanship
  - a. created in Christ
  - b. created for good work
  - c. so walk

WE WALK *IN* CHRIST THE LORD  
THE SAME WAY WE RECEIVED CHRIST AS LORD:  
BY GRACE... THROUGH FAITH

## II. ROOTED: 3 Types of Root-Systems

**A. Tap Roots:** have a main taproot that grows large, fast and deep.

1. Well rooted plants are drought-resistant plants
  - a- that stand time-tested through the struggles
  - b- that have the power to break up hard pack deep below the surface
  - c- that carry trace minerals to the surface improving the soil

**B. Fibrous Roots:** have many roots that create a nutrient holding mass

1. Well-rooted plants are soil-stabilizing plants
  - a- that combined with others form a system that brings stability
  - b- that stop erosion through storms
  - c- that over time build rich soil

**C. Adventitious Roots:** have roots that can form and produce from anywhere

1. Well-rooted plants are fruit-bearing plants
  - a- that are able to grow and thrive in the face of stress
  - b- that are resilient when confronted with obstacles
  - c- that reproduce plants that reproduce

## III. ROOTED IN CHRIST

### A. Planted

1. GOSPEL-ROOTED PEOPLE ARE **DEEPLY-PLANTED** PEOPLE
  - a- who stand with peace despite hardships and struggles
  - b- who grow in knowledge, wisdom, and depth of insight
  - c- who break through hard hearts and bring long forgotten truth to the world

### B. Confident

1. GOSPEL-ROOTED PEOPLE ARE **GROUND-GAINING** PEOPLE
  - a- who have confidence despite the storms
  - b- who work in concert with the rest of the body of Christ
  - c- who steadily create healthy places for those around them to see, hear, and respond to the Gospel

### C. Fruitful

1. GOSPEL-ROOTED PEOPLE ARE **FRUIT-BEARING** PEOPLE

- a- who are productive and resilient in the face of uncertainty
- b- who live by grace, through faith
- c- who invest in relationships for Christ's sake

SO WALK BY GRACE AND LIVE THROUGH FAITH;  
FIRMLY ROOTED WITH JESUS IN CHARGE;  
A PEOPLE PLANTED DEEP IN CHIRST,  
GAINING GROUND FOR HIS KINGDOM,  
& BEARING FRUIT IN THE GOSPEL.