



Passage - Matthew 1:18-25

Outline

- 1) Let God's charity deconstruct your shame - Matthew 1:18-19
- 2) Let God's charity deconstruct your fear - Matthew 1:20-23
- 3) Let God's charity deconstruct your guilt - Matthew 1:24-25

Potential Discussion Questions

- When you think of the topics "cancellation" and "charity," what comes to mind from the past two years? (Sorry for any PTSD!)
- Read Matthew 1:18-25. We rarely dig deep into Joseph's perspective in the Christmas story, but put yourself in his shoes. What would these things have been like for him?
- Throughout Joseph's story we talked about his temptation to cancel in three different ways:
 - To cancel others
 - To cancel God
 - To cancel himselfAfter the darkness of the past two years, which of those do you identify with most?
- Read Colossians 2:13-15. Instead of cancelling you, God cancelled your sins and your enemies through Jesus Christ. This Christmas, what's one way you need that reality to deconstruct your fear, guilt, or shame?