

# Maple Springs Baptist Church

## Series: Who Told You That? and the Lies We Believe

### Week 6: The Lie—Your Life is What You Make It

The lie: Your life is what you make it.

Beneath the motivational veneer is a satanic whisper: “You can be your own god.”

THE AMERICAN DREAM HAS BECOME A SPIRITUAL NIGHTMARE.

We have disciplined our children to believe: “The world is what you make it.” But

Scripture asks: “Is what we’re making of this world worth it?”

THE LIE IS AS OLD AS THE SERPENT: “YOU WILL BE LIKE GOD”.

#### **Genesis 3:4-5**

The serpent never mentions the fine print: You gain “opened eyes,” but you lose your soul.

MAKING A DEAL WITH THE DEVIL ALWAYS COSTS MORE THAN IT GIVES.

No amount of worldly gain is worth your soul.

#### **Proverbs 16:18.**

THE LIE SAYS GOD IS HOLDING OUT ON YOU

The serpent’s strategy: “God is keeping something from you.” *The implied truth claim from Satan is this: “God is holding out on you.”*

“YOUR LIFE IS WHAT YOU MAKE IT” IS THE BATTLE CRY OF REBELS.

#### **Genesis 11:4.**

Every self-made life looks impressive from earth. Every self-made life looks pathetic from heaven.

THE GOSPEL ANSWER: MEEKNESS, NOT SELF-MADE GREATNESS.

#### **Matthew 5:5.**

The devil hates meekness because meekness dethrones self & enthrones Christ.

YOU ARE NOT OWED ANYTHING—EXCEPT JUDGMENT.

#### **Romans 6:23.**

THE TRUTH

#### **Ephesians 2:4–5.**

Lie: “Your life is what you make it.” Jesus: **Luke 9:23**

Lie: “Be the captain of your fate.” Jesus: **1 Peter 2:25**

Lie: “Build your own kingdom.” Jesus: **Matthew 6:33**

Lie: “Make your life great.” Jesus: **Matthew 16:25**

Your life is not what you make it. Your life is what Christ makes it.