

September 25, 2016
Following Jesus
Part Four: Following Jesus Makes Us a Pleasing Aroma
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1. What is your favorite smell? It's been said that smell is the sense most closely tied to memory. What smell has the power to rewind you to a particular time or place?
2. What is the great commandment? (**Loving God and people. Read Matt. 22:37-40**). What is the great commission? (**Go, make disciples, baptize, teach. Read Matt. 28:19-20**). What are the five core beliefs of WHFC and how do they fit in to these key directives of Jesus? (**Worship, fellowship, discipleship, ministry, evangelism**)
Ted was discouraged because so few raised their hands to say they found an opportunity to participate in one of these five things this week. Did you?
3. Read 2 Corinthians 2:14-15. We are to spread a pleasing aroma of Jesus everywhere. Give examples of how we can do that for those "who are being saved?" Give examples of what we can do that to those who are perishing?
4. Ted made a distinction between aroma and odor. As Ted did on Sunday, each of you pick an example of a disgusting odor and a delightful (pleasing) aroma.
5. Smells linger and can even be absorbed. Give examples of an aroma and an odor that you "absorbed" from being around other Christians.
6. I Corinthians 15:33 says, "Do not be misled: 'Bad company corrupts good character.'" Has bad company corrupted the character of anyone you know?
7. In what way is your home group a "pleasing aroma"? Give an example of how a home group has been or could be an odor.
8. Many ladies, even gentlemen, have a signature perfume or cologne, the scent they are known for. Do you have one? More importantly, what is your signature scent as a Christian? What do others know you for?
9. What will others remember about Jesus after spending time with you?
10. Ted mentioned an elderly lady whose pleasing aroma touched a celebrity when she prayed so lovingly and specifically for him. Have you ever had a prayer said over you that left you changed by the Spirit and surrounded by the aroma of Jesus?