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GRACE CENTRAL COAST PRESENTS **REEL GRACE** GOSPEL SHADOWS IN TODAY'S MOVIES

Gospel Shadows in Top Gun: Maverick Sunday, August 27, 2023 Darren Nelson

Today we finish our summer Reel Grace series by examining some of the Gospel shadows in the 2022 blockbuster film Top Gun: Maverick.

The Undeniable ______ ____

The Need _____ ____

The Ever-present _____ ___ ____

NEXT STEPS: Pick the Gospel shadow you most resonated with, and at some point today, share with someone else which one resonated with you and why.

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Growth Groups are the glue that holds our church together, the way we find and follow Jesus together. If you are not involved in a Growth Group, now is the perfect time to jump in at gracecentralcoast.org/groups

CONNECT (ask this question to check-in with your group)

What was your favorite Reel Grace movie this summer?

DISCUSS (use some of these questions to process God's Word together)

1. What did you think of Top Gun: Maverick?

2. Which Gospel shadow spoke most directly to you and your life right now: the value of humanity, the power of death, the difficulty of moving on from the past, or the need to be saved?

4. What lifts your heart most about someday living in a world with no death?

5. How does the life of Paul help us understand how the Gospel can help us let go of our past sins and regrets?

6. How could you use the constant theme (that we see in so many books and movies) of needing to be saved as a way to discuss the Gospel with a not-yet-Christian?

7. We looked at four Gospel shadows on Sunday. What other Gospel shadows do you see in this film? Share and discuss.

3. How does a Christian view of the world and humanity influence how we think about advances in technology like artificial intelligence, virtual reality, and augmented reality?

PRAY (use these prompts to pray in response to God's Word)

- Pray for growth in our ability to see all of life in light of the person and work of Jesus.
- Pray for each other's spiritual and physical needs.
- Pray for Pastor Tim's recovery.