

June 30, 2019

life together

SMALL GROUP
DISCUSSION GUIDE

Main point from Sunday's sermon (Exodus 1-4):

God is always at work for the good of His people and the glory of His name!

Now let's RECAP.

Re-Read

Re-read Exodus 1-4. As you do, highlight what you think are the key sentences or phrases. You'll come back to those as you evaluate the main point of the passage shortly.

Evaluate

Using the key statements, sentences, or phrases you highlighted, determine as a group what you think the big idea is.

The main points from Sunday's sermon were:

1. God remembers His promises (Exodus 1-2)
2. God reveals Himself as all-powerful (Exodus 3)
3. God repurposes us for His glory (Exodus 4)

Spend a few minutes connecting the text and the main points. Where in the text do you see the above statements and points?

Citations from the Church

"The greatness of God's love for us is perhaps most strikingly seen in this: we can appeal to Him simply because we are in need," Alec Motyer.

Do you agree or disagree with Motyer's quote? Does the greatness of God's love motivate you toward prayer? Why or why not? What prevents your praying if this is true?

"No man can give at once the impressions that he himself is clever and that Jesus Christ is mighty to save," James Denney.

Do you think this a biblically-sound statement? Do you agree with it? Why or why not? Do you feel that glory can be attained for yourself and God at the same time? Why or why not? What are some examples of this from your own life?

Application or Advancing the Gospel

We tend to want God to act according to our timelines. Does knowing that from the time of the horrific oppression in Exodus 1 to 2:11 was roughly 40 years and then to 3:1 was an additional 40 years encourage your trust and faithfulness?

No matter what you're facing, God knows, cares, and has already acted on our behalf to take care of our biggest problem: our slavery to sin. Do you believe this? If your biggest problem has been dealt with, does that change how you face the other areas of your life?

Every aspect of our lives is to be lived in response to God's initiating and intervening grace and revelation of Himself. He requires absolute obedience. Are there areas of your life that you feel like are not under complete submission to God? Share those with your group and spend some time praying for one another.

Praise

Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father, There is no shadow of turning with Thee; Thou changest not, Thy compassions they fail not; As Thou hast been, Thou forever will be.

Great is Thy faithfulness, Great is Thy faithfulness, Morning by morning new mercies I see, And all I have needed Thy hand hath provided, Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord unto me.

Pardon for sin, And a peace that endureth, Thine own dear presence to cheer, And to guide, Strength for today, and bright hope for tomorrow, Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside.

"Great is Thy Faithfulness" by Thomas Chisholm