

Dig Deeper @Home – "Everything You Need" Complement to sermon on 01/05/2020 – "The Great I AM"

ICE BREAKER — ask these to open dialogue and learn more about those gathered

1. Share highs and lows of the past week.

6. What is it revealing about us as humans?

2. What are you most looking forward to in 2020?

MEMORIZE - John 8: 56-58

Your father Abraham rejoiced that he would see my day. He saw it and was glad. So the Jews said to him, "You are not yet fifty years old, and have you seen Abraham?" Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, before Abraham was, I am."

READ John 8: 21-59 Questions to ponder/discuss: 1. What sticks out to you in this passage? 2. What did you like? What didn't you like? 3. What general observations can you make? Anything repeated? Contrasted? Compared? 4. Write down how you observe people responding to Jesus in this text. How does this compare/contrast to how you respond to Jesus in belief and in action? 5. What is this passage revealing about God?

7. If the above is true, what needs to change in your life? What will that look like?

Experiential activity

Everything You Need?

Think about something you couldn't live without. Not literally (like water) but something that is such a part of your day that without it, you would feel like a piece of you is missing. Maybe it's your cup of coffee in the morning. Maybe its your cell phone. Maybe it's being on social media. The truth is, only our Creator is truly everything we need. But these others things often distract us from him. So, this week, 1 hour a day and 1 full day, do not turn to or use, whatever it is that you cannot live without. In other words, fast from it. But fill the time in meaningful ways with God. Read the bible. Listen to music that exalts him. Go for a walk and connect with Him. In doing this, you open yourself up to truly connect with the only One that is everything you need.

SING (suggested songs to sing. Use these or any song you might want to sing)

The Great I AM - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=w2Yh4exnBU0 I am the Lord, O Hear - Mennonite Hymnal #329

PRAY

This is a time to gather around for prayer requests and to share how you have seen God at work. A time to hear where God is showing up in our lives and where we need Him to help us in our lives.

Sending prayer based on the lesson:

Go and speak as God has spoken to you. Go and forgive as God has forgiven you. Go and love as God has loved you. Go and become as God has directed you. Go and live as Christ has commanded you. And go with God's blessing, live in God's will, and God will be with you. Amen.