

Dig Deeper @Home – “Kingdom Mindsets”

Complement to lesson on 09/24/23 – “For the Glory of God”

ICE BREAKER – Questions to open dialogue and learn more about those gathered

1. When you hear the word “glory,” what comes to mind?
2. If, for 24 hours (effective immediately), money was no object... what would you do *right now*?

MEMORIZE – Acts 2: 38-39

And Peter said to them, “Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you and for your children and for all who are far off, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to himself.”

READ – Read Philippians 2

Questions to ponder/discuss:

1. Re-scan the text and consider...
 - a. What did the Holy Spirit cause to “jump off the page” as you read?
 - b. Is anything repeated? Contrasted? Compared? (If so... why might that be?)
 - c. What are the verses revealing about God? About people?
In light of these, what needs to change in your life? What are you already doing well?
2. In verse 2, Paul implores believers to be “of the same mind.”
 - a. What clues does our passage give as to what this might look like lived out?
 - b. Who does Paul set forth as the ultimate model of having this right mindset?
 - i. What can we learn and apply from their example?
3. Philippians 2:12 instructs us to “work out (our) own salvation with fear and trembling,” but verse 13 says “it is God who works in you, both to will and to work.”
 - a. So... who is doing the work?
 - b. Do Philippians 1:6 and 1:27 provide any clarity?

EXPERIENTIAL ACTIVITY – *Having the mind of Christ*

Philippians 2 encourages us to follow the example of the mindset of Jesus. Likewise, 1 Corinthians 2:14-16 tells us that, “the spiritual person,” (one who is led and empowered by the Spirit) “...has the mind of Christ!”

How do we walk in step with the Spirit’s lead, having this mindset of Christ?

By “setting our minds on things that are above” and being “transformed by the renewing of your mind.” (Colossians 3:2, Romans 12:2)

This week, set your mind on things above by setting aside at least 3 times to sit and ponder your favorite Scriptures about Jesus, intentionally keeping an eye out for his values, his attitude towards others, and his posture as a servant. (In other words, observe his mindset.) Allow the Word to transform and renew your mind, praying that the Holy Spirit would empower you to have this same mindset as you live as an ambassador for Christ in the places you live, work, study and play!

SING (Suggested songs to sing. Use these, or any favorites of the gathered group, to worship Jesus!)

Echo Holy - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pz5t7XTCxNE>

Holy is the Lord - <https://youtu.be/uInmeLDRcK8?si=MyUTiD-LllvplnsX>

Glory to God on High – Mennonite Hymnal #101

Listen: Matty Mullins – Christ Be Magnified <https://youtu.be/B9e2SGDedIo?si=moQJWbO1-62d2fkR>

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 message:

Father God, I want to live my life for your glory.

Holy Spirit, empower me to do so by giving me the mind of Christ.

Jesus Christ, thank you for the example of humility and servanthood you modeled, and for dying on the cross to atone for the many times I fall short. At your name I bow my knee and with my tongue I confess that you are Lord, to the glory of God the Father. (Philippians 2:10-11)