



Dig Deeper @Home – “Seeking”

Complement to lesson on 2/1/26 – “Seeking through Surrender”

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

1. Finish the sentence: Polar bear plunges ...
2. What words come to mind when you hear the word “surrender”?

MEMORIZE – Matthew 6: 32-33

For the Gentiles seek after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them all. But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.”

READ – Matthew 13

Questions to ponder/discuss:

1. Re-scan the text and consider...
 - a. What did the Holy Spirit draw your attention to as you read?
 - b. Is anything repeated? Contrasted? Compared? (If so... why might that be?)
 - c. What in these verses is interesting? What is confusing?
 - d. What are the verses revealing about God? What are the verses saying about people?
 - e. In light of these, what needs to change in your life? What are you already doing well?
2. What do we have to give up to obtain the great treasure in the field?(*hint: it starts with “every” and ends with “thing”)
 - a. What is the great treasure?
 - b. What have you given up for this treasure?
 - c. What have you yet to give up? (remember: everything is everything)
3. Connect Matthew 13:53-58 with the parables that come before in chapter 13. How many connections can you make? Make a minimum of 2 connections for every parable.
4. Which parable most connected with you? What is the Lord saying through this?

EXPERIENTIAL ACTIVITY – Full Surrender

Option 1: If you have little kids, play a game of follow the leader. Then talk about what it was like as a follower. Have a discussion that Jesus is our leader and we are called to follow Him just like we had to follow the leader in what they did.

Option 2: Spend time contemplating and considering what you have given up to follow Jesus. What have you already surrendered? Then spend time contemplating and considering what you haven't yet surrendered. Admit these things to yourself and to the Lord. What is keeping you from fully surrendering these things to the Lord? What would surrendering them look like? Spend time praying with the Holy Spirit. This doesn't need to be a one time activity but rather a rhythm you build into your life.

SING (or listen to)

You have my Surrender - <https://youtu.be/k1mTYIKx4wc?si=A-zMafXXYr70FKYZ>

I am not my Own - <https://youtu.be/yxCb6l3jkis?si=8tLtRHXohyu2btMf>

Surrender - https://youtu.be/_oyHpLg32c8?si=fR2DbIkTK7Uq8yu

Take my Life and Let it Be - <https://youtu.be/y3gWwGDGgVA?si=EbKGDjzuZXj9FWXW>

I Surrender All - https://youtu.be/xSPcuV5Sl8?si=nhQaQ2DjZxD_NGBy

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, for this week.

Sending prayer based on the message:

Go and seek first Christ and His Kingdom. Holy Spirit, show us anything that hinders us from doing this and help us to seek Your Kingdom in all that we do, say and think.