

## 10/28/2018 – How Do I Live the Life? It's All About Relationship

### SMALL GROUP HOMEWORK

#### GETTING TO KNOW YOU

1. If you were held at gun point and told that if you didn't impress them with your dance moves you would be killed, what dance moves would you bust out?

2. If someone asked to be your apprentice and learn all that you know, what would you teach them?

3. What was impactful to you from this weekend's message?

#### INTO THE BIBLE

In the message, Pastor Jim talked about God desiring a personal, intimate relationship with every person. There are two sides to every relationship. Let's look at the greatness of our God and our response to His greatness.

1. Read Psalm 8.

A) What is the significance of this Psalm starting and ending with the same phrase?

B) Verse 2 says God uses the words of babies and infants type to establish His strength and defeat enemies, what do you think this means?

C) In verses 3 & 4, what question does the writer of this Psalm ask?

D) We don't deserve the love and care that God has chosen to bestow upon us, but not only that, in verses 5-8, what do you see here that God has given us right to?

Let's look at how God uses this idea of in His majesty and glory He fulfills this truth of using the weak for His purpose and Glory

2. Read 1 Corinthians 1:26-31

A) In verse 26, what type of people do we see that Paul is talking to in this verse?

B) In verses 27-28, Paul shows what God's plan is to reach the world. What did he plan to do with these three types of people?

C) in Verse 29, why did we see that God chooses to use the "useless" for His purposes?

We saw in Psalm 8 that God is majestic and His glory is High above the heavens. Here in 1 Corinthians we are reminded that God is great and uses whatever He chooses from babies and infants, to the weak and powerless for His glory. We are reminded that if we boast, we should always boast in the Lord.

3. Read Psalm 63:1-8.

As we started this lesson off, we read that relationships are a two-way street. God has shown us His majesty and glory. He is worthy to be worshiped and desires to be in a relationship with us. He wants to use our weakness for His glory. He will not force us to spend time with Him and allow Him to grow our relationship. Let's look at how David, "a man after God's own heart", lived his life growing his relationship with God.

A) In verse 1, how desperate was David to spend time with God?

B) In verse 2, David had spent time in God's presence seeing the awesomeness of God. How do you think this shaped David's view of God?

C) As we spend time with God we learn about him, in verse 3, what does David's Knowledge of God's love cause him to do?

D) In verse 5, what does David say knowing God does for his soul?

E) In verses 6-7, David spends the night remembering all that God has done for him. "In the Shadow of your wings" is a picture of being under the protection of God. Relationship is about communication. How did David communicate with God when he recognized the protection God provided for Him?

F) Verse 8 gives a beautiful picture of our relationship with God. As our soul clings to God, what does He do for us?

### **DIGGING DEEPER**

1. As the world and our enemy bring hurt and destruction our way, God uses all these things for our good and His glory. How have you seen God's love in your life in difficult situations? Don't forget to take every opportunity to praise Him for what He has provided for you.

2. The noise of this world can often drown out what God is trying to share with us. We can fill our lives with so many good things that we miss what God has that is the best for us. How can we live lives that are only satisfied with what He wants for us?

3. Take some time to reflect on this past week. Has your life been a picture of thirsting after God? Has God blessed you this week hiding you under His wings? Take some time to praise Him for His loving kindness in your relationship.