

2/10/2019 – Boot Camp: Serve

GROW GROUP HOMEWORK

Welcome to sermon based Grow Groups! To prepare for your time together, fully answer the questions below and be prepared to share your answers with the group. Have a great meeting!

GETTING TO KNOW YOU

1. What is a home project that you tried that didn't go so well?

2. What is one worship song or lyric that has really spoken to your heart?

3. Looking back over last weekend's message, what was your biggest take away?

INTO THE BIBLE

Pastor Jim preached this Sunday on serving the Lord with the gifts that we have been given. We can know that we have these gifts, but to know without being obedient to serve is not bringing glory to God. Today we are going to focus on obedience

1. Read John 6:1-14.

A) What question does Jesus ask Phillip in verse 5?

B) Why does Jesus ask this question?

C) Did Phillip look at this problem with spiritual eyes or physical eyes?

D) Andrew finds a boy with five loaves of bread and two fish, does it look like Andrew in verse 9 believes that this will take care of the people's hunger?

E) Andrew did not force the boy to give up the food. We don't see it in scripture here, but the boy must have willingly given his food to Jesus. How did Jesus use this small form of obedience?

F) How do you think the boy's faith grew as he gave up all the food he had and watched Jesus provide for him and the multitude that was around him?

2. Let's now look at someone who choose to be obedient even when it looked like that doing so might mean death. Read Acts 9:10-18.

In this chapter Saul, the persecutor of the early church, has a life changing encounter with Jesus. He blinded in this encounter and told by Jesus to go and wait in Damascus and he would be told what to do.

A) In verses 10-12 what does God ask Ananias to do?

B) Was Ananias eager to obey the Lord?

C) What reasons did Ananias give to not go and be obedient?

D) As God explains the purpose He has for Saul how does Ananias finally respond to the Lord?

3. In Numbers 22 we see the people of Israel moving through the wilderness. The king of Moab was fearful of them. He found a Man of God named Balaam and asked him to curse these people. God told Balaam that these were His blessed people and not to curse them. The king persisted for Balaam to come and eventually Balaam agrees to come, but God is very displeased.

Read Numbers 22:22-35

A) As Balaam is heading down the road on his donkey, what does the donkey see?

B) Balaam is furious each time the donkey stops what happens the third-time Balaam struck the donkey?

C) Reading how Balaam responded to his donkey, do you think you would have sat and had a similar conversation?

D) When God opens up Balaam's eyes what was Balaam's response?

E) What does God use the donkey to bring about in Balaam's life?

DIGGING DEEPER

1. When God has called you to obey Him in tasks that seem unimaginable, what type of eyes do you usually use physical or spiritual?

2. Ananias asked God why when God brought him a task that seemed to threaten his life and God patiently answered him. How can this bring you comfort in times where your obedience seems as though it will bring pain along with it?

3. When you have found yourself not being obedient to God in what He has asked you to do, what donkeys has God brought in your life to speak to you?