

Series: Core Faith

Message: Remember and Endure!

November 15, 2015

Life Group Questions

For week of November 15, 2015

In our trials, hold on to who God is and what He's done.

God is generous.

James 1:5

God is not tempted and does not tempt.

James 1:12-15; Genesis 3:12-13

God gives good gifts and He never changes.

James 1:17-18; Luke 11:9-13

God wants to accomplish His righteousness in us... not the self-righteousness human anger produces.

James 1:19-22; James 5:16-18; Proverbs 14:12

God is our Father.

James 1:18; James 1:27; James 3:9

God is the Judge.

James 5:8-9; 1 Peter 3:9;

God is full of compassion and mercy.

James 5:11; Psalms 145

*The Lord is gracious and compassionate,
slow to anger and rich in love.*

- Psalms 145:8 (NIV)

To prepare for this week's meeting, take some time to focus on the questions below and be prepared to share your answers with the group. Have a great meeting as you come together to connect, encourage one another to grow and to see God change your live from the inside out!

A Quick Review

Looking back at your notes from Sunday's message, was there anything that particularly caught your attention, challenged or confused you?

Going Deeper

In Exodus 34 God describes Himself and gives us an anchor for the storms we will face: "The LORD, the LORD, the compassionate and gracious God, slow to anger, abounding in love and faithfulness." God's people respond to this truth about God in a variety of ways... let's grow in wisdom by exploring them together:

Read Psalms 86:11-15.

How important do you think it is to approach God with a teachable heart? Why?

How could remembering the truth about who God is and what he's done help the writer of this Psalm?

How could this help you today?

Read Joel 2:12-14.

Joel writes to God's people who were not following God and what the judgment that was coming if they continued in their rebellion. However, he reminds them of who God is and His heart towards them. When you blow it, an enduring faith leans into the character of God.

How does trusting what God says about Himself help you believe what God said He would do in response to our confession 1 John 1:9?

Read Jonah 3:6-4:4.

Have you ever been upset about God's character? Why & what happened?

What should you do if you see that what God values and what you value is different?

Can you be opposed to God and follow Jesus at the same time? What happens if you remain opposed to God?

Read Nehemiah 9:15-18.

In a prayer of repentance, Nehemiah remembers God's character and gives him thanks. Remembering who God is and the great things He's done in and through us regularly is a way to see the worth of enduring and brings us to a mature faith that may actually consider trials joyfully... even the trials of our own making because of knowing what trials produce.

Think about what you read in Nehemiah 9:15-18 and make a list of 5-10 things that you're thankful God has done for you (try to focus more on the non-material). After making your list, circle your top two.

Use the list you've made to pray and thank God for who He is and all He's done. Try to commit Psalms 145:8 to memory to help you weather coming storms of life with an enduring faith anchored in our loving Father!

Prayer Needs: