



Dig Deeper @Home – “God is ...”

Complement to sermon on July 10 – “The Perfect Judge”

MEMORIZE – Exodus 3:14

God said to Moses, “I AM WHO I AM.” And he said, “Say this to the people of Israel, ‘I AM has sent me to you.’”

READ Romans 3

Questions to ponder/discuss:

1. What is this passage revealing about God and what is it revealing about us as humans?
2. If the above is true, what needs to change in your life? What will that look like?
3. Who wrote Romans? (Hint: Romans 1:1) Who did the author write it to? Do research and write down what you find out (or know) about the author and the original audience. How does this make a difference to what is written?
4. Romans 3:1-18 comes before Romans 3:19-31. So, read verses 1-18.
 - a. According to these verses, who is the judge of the world? (hint: v6) Why does this matter?
 - b. What is the state of the people in the world? (hint: v9-18)
 - c. What connections is Paul making between verses 1-18 and 19-31? (hint: what’s the hope for the people including you and me who are described so negatively in verses 9-18?)
5. The phrase “faith in Jesus Christ” in verse (3:22) can also be translated “faithfulness of Jesus Christ.” In light of Romans 3:3-4, why is the faithfulness of Jesus so important? How do these two ways to translate actually work together?

Bottom Line (give a one or two sentence summary of the scripture you just read):

Experiential

Sometimes activities help us to understand and process biblical truths. The below is one suggestion for how to experience the truths of Exodus 3. Feel free to use this one or any you might come up with.

“Simple Prayers”

Please. Thanks. Sorry. Praise. 4 words. 4 simple prayers. Take time each day at home and as you go to pray to God in these ways. Please ... where do you need God to show up? Give guidance? Make a miracle. Thanks ... where is Christ at work in your life? Sorry ... what do you need to confess? Praise ... what can you praise God for today? This makes for a great dinner conversation at your home. Get in the practice of praying and turning more often to our Great God!

SING (a suggested song to sing. Use this or any song you might want to sing)

This is my Father’s World

In the Hymnal #49. A wonderful hymn reminding us that “though the wrong seem oft so strong, God is the ruler(judge) yet”

Awesome God - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bjsKG5MMPZ8>

Another song reminding us that God is bigger.

PRAY

This is a time to gather around for prayer requests and praise reports. A time to hear where God is showing up in our lives and where we need Him to show up in our lives.

Sending prayer based on the lesson:

Father God, may we be changed this week as we reflect on your mercy and justice. May we be moved to repentance knowing that in your mercy the punishment for our sin was put on your son Jesus so that your justice could be accomplished. And that as you rose Jesus from the grave, we also will be raised to new life as we follow Jesus. In Jesus name, amen.