

Dig Deeper @Home – “Resident Aliens”

Complement to sermon on 5/13/18 – “Not from our Wisdom”

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

If you had to eat the same meal every day, 3 times a day for the next 40 years, what would it be?

Share a piece of wisdom that you have learned in life. (For example, I (Pastor Kris) would share that it really is impossible to drink a gallon of milk in an hour)

MEMORIZE – 1 Peter 2:9-10

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

READ – Daniel 2

Questions to ponder/discuss:

1. What does this passage reveal about God? About humanity?

2. If the above is true, what needs to change in your life?

3. Daniel 2: 19-23 is a song of praise. Look over this song again and list at least 7 attributes of God that you find in these verses.

4. Read Luke 20: 17-18?
 - a. What is the significance of this statement in light of Daniel 2?

 - b. Look at your own life. In what areas are you falling on the rock and in what areas are you setting up kingdoms/idols that will be crushed by the rock?

5. Read Matthew 5: 14-16.
 - a. How is this truth being demonstrated by Daniel in Daniel 2?

 - b. How can we live out this truth daily in our own lives?

Summarize Daniel 2 in two sentences or less:

Experiential- Daniel responds to God answering his prayers with a song of praise. Look back at your own week/month and write a song of praise for how God has revealed Himself to you.

Testimony Time – God tells us that his thoughts are not our thoughts and his ways are not our ways. Share a time when you followed God’s ways, even if you thought it seemed counter-intuitive, and share how it turned out for you. Or share a situation where you could use God’s wisdom and take time to pray together seeking His wisdom.

SING (suggested songs to sing. Use these or any song you might want to sing)

Behold Our God - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Gqrli3Lkf58>

As you sing this praise to the “One who knows all things” let that truth lead you to seek Him for wisdom and direction in your life

He Leadeth Me, O Blessed Thought – Mennonite Hymnal #543

A good reminder on who leads us and who we seek for guidance

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 in our lives.

Sending prayer based on the lesson:

Father, grant us your wisdom this week. Holy Spirit, guide our words, actions and thoughts to be for God’s glory and the good of others. Help us to recognize our desperate need for you every day. In Jesus Name, Amen.