

Dig Deeper @Home – "Tough Questions"

Complement to sermon on 8/19/2018 - "Don't all Religions Lead to God?"

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

- 1. What is another culture you have had interest in for a while?
- 2. What is the strangest superhero you have heard of?

MEMORIZE – 1st Peter 3:15

But in your hearts honor Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and respect

READ – 1 Timothy 1-2:7

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. What is Paul's motivation (aim) for charging Timothy to stop false teachers from teaching different doctrine? What are possible motivations of the false teachers then?
- 4. Using the surrounding verses, what does the life look like of a person who is saved and has come to the knowledge of the truth, as in 1 Timothy 2:4?
- 5. Read Exodus 20:3, Isaiah 43:10, and 1 Timothy 2:5. What is the implication of there being only one God, and that God demanding to be worshipped only?

Summarize 1st Timothy 2:1-7 in your own words:

Experiential: Growing in God's Word

Select a religion to study and spend some time contrasting it with the Gospel. Select two names that are common in the cultural tradition of that religion, one male and one female, and pray for all the people with those names. As you pray for their salvation in Jesus Christ, ask the Lord to bring a person with one of those names across your path to share Jesus with.

Testimony Time – Share with someone an experience of discussing your faith with someone from another religion. How did they receive Jesus? Did they make any objections? What objections did they make to the Christian faith?

SING (suggested songs to sing. Use these or any song you might want to sing) Like Incense (God you are my God)- Hillsong <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-SVOBKbWndU</u>

As you sing, claim God as your only God, and rebuke all the world's claims of other Gods.

Only King Forever – Elevation Worship

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FVygdWkcoMc

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:

Oh living God, thank you for revealing yourself fully in Jesus. Thank you for providing a way to you through Jesus. Thank you for the new life we have now in Christ. We are so in love with you because of our eternal assurance in you. Give us wisdom and strength through your Spirit to stand up against false ideas about you. May your Gospel change our attitudes, hearts and actions this week, all in worship of you.