

Dig Deeper @Home – “Kingdom Mindsets”

Complement to lesson on 10/08/23 – “Grounded in Hope”

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

1. What is something light and fun you hope happens in your life?
2. How might hope have helped you get through a tough time?

MEMORIZE – Acts 2: 38-39

And Peter said to them, “Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you and for your children and for all who are far off, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to himself.”

READ – Read Romans 15:12-13

Questions to ponder/discuss:

1. Re-scan the text and consider...
 - a. What did the Holy Spirit cause to “jump off the page” as you read?
 - b. Is anything repeated? Contrasted? Compared? (If so... why might that be?)
 - c. What are the verses revealing about God? About people?
In light of these, what needs to change in your life? What are you already doing well?
2. Romans 5:1-5 further expands on hope. What do they rejoice in? What does suffering eventually produce? Who is peace with God grounded in? What is proof that hope “will not put us to shame?”
3. Jesus is “he who arises to rule the Gentiles.” What kind of Ruler is Jesus? If most kings rule it over their subjects, how does this king compare or differ? Read Luke 22:24-27. Now, read John 15:9-17. What kind of Commander is Jesus? What is the aim of his rule? How did Jesus fulfill the love commandment? How is this hopeful?

EXPERIENTIAL ACTIVITY – *DAILY GRATITUDE JOURNAL*

Praise is a natural response to beholding the glory and beautiful rule of God. One way to praise God, is by expressing GRATITUDE. Thanking Him for all He has brought you through, and the hope he has promised for the future. Not to mention, the joy available right now through the Holy Spirit, especially by devoting our moment to Him in thanksgiving. Practicing gratitude is a way to train in HOPE. It clarifies how God has already blessed us and helps prepare us to trust with expectation for the following moments and days.

This week, using a journal, piece of paper, or a note on your device week, **write down three things a day that you are grateful for.**

SING (Suggested songs to sing. Use these, or any favorites of the gathered group, to worship Jesus!)

King of Kings - <https://youtu.be/Of5IcFWiEpg>

Great is Thy Faithfulness - <https://youtu.be/ErwiBz1QA4o>

Living Hope - <https://youtu.be/u-1fwZtKJSM>

Peace - <https://youtu.be/uW6xcmqfiY4>

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 message:

Oh Lord, God, show us how great is the spiritual union we have in your Son, Jesus. Convince us of the sovereignty of your working, even above our suffering, and empower us to HOPE in you, as we walk with you.