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SERMON NOTES

OUR MISSION is to make more and better disciples of Jesus Christ.

THIS WEEK'S MEMORY VERSE

Phil.2:8-9 (God's Character) And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name,

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The Conversation Guide is a great tool for individuals, families, discipleship groups and Missional Communities to take a deeper, more personal dive into the content of the current sermon series. The Conversation Guide will be posted by every Friday on the 'live' page of our website and in our weekly newsletter. We encourage you to use it this week on your own, around your dinner tables, over coffee with your friends or in your faith groups!

The Conversation Guide is built on the SOAP model, which is a tool you can use when reading the Bible. SOAP helps you be intentional about paying attention to:

Scripture that stands out to you while you read
Observations you are making about a passage
Applications that connect the verses to your real life and relationships
Prayer that invites God to participate in all that you do

Conversation Questions

Getting to Know Me: What do you want more than anything this year?

Read Psalm 27

- S: What verses, phrases, words or feelings stand out to you as you read this text? Is anything "illuminated" or jumping off the page and affecting your spirit?
- O: The Psalm uses at least three different kinds of statements. Take time as a group to identify where these different statements are and what they say. Make a list together.
 - •Statements of trust where David declares with confidence who God is or what he will do.
 - •Statements of intent where David declares what he will do in response to God's actions.
 - •Statements of request where David shows his dependence on God for help.
- O: What kinds of situations can you imagine David was facing that produced a Psalm like this? If you were the author, what kinds of situations in your life would prompt you to write a Psalm like this?
- O: What is the one thing that David says he wants in verse 4? How do you think this would be helpful in the midst of fearful or anxious circumstances?
- A: If God had written this Psalm just for you, what words, phrases or ideas would he have underlined specifically for you? What did you need to hear most? Why?
- A: Take a moment to think through the week ahead of you right now. Are there any situations coming at you this week that you already know will create fear and anxiety? What will it look like to respond to those situations with faith instead of fear? How will Psalm 27 be helpful to you in the moment when you need it? Walk through the scenario and be as specific as you can.
- P: Talk to God about your application responses. Ask for help to walk in the Spirit, and not just in your own strength when you face fearful situations this week.