

SERMON GUIDE

KNOWING THE LORD

Hebrews 8:1-13 | Pastor Tim Porter

July 2, 2023

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SERMON NOTES

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

THIS WEEK'S MEMORY VERSE

Col. 1:15-16 (God's Character) He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him.

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Conversation Questions

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 Monday 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

Getting to Know Me: All of us have probably been in situations where a relationship seems strained but we aren't really sure - You wonder if you've done something to offend someone but they haven't said anything about it. How do you typically handle those situations?

Note About the Passage: A covenant is simply an arrangement in which two people make vows to one another and exchange symbols associated with those promises.

Verses 7-12 are a quote from the book of Jeremiah in the Old Testament (Jer. 31:31-34).

Read Hebrews 8:1-13

S: What verses, phrases, words, or feelings stand out to you as you read this text? Is anything "illuminated," surprising, or jumping off the page and affecting your spirit?

O: What is it that seems to make Jesus' ministry "more excellent" than the Old Covenant?

O: What makes Jesus "more excellent ministry" such good news for people who struggle on a daily basis with sin and doubt?

O: What are the promises of the new covenant that you know or that are listed in this passage?

A: If God had written this passage just for you, what words, phrases or ideas would he have underlined specifically for you? What did you need to hear most? Why?

A: Which promises of the new covenant mean the most to you right now? Why? What circumstance or relationship do they affect in your life?

P: Talk to God about your application responses above. Ask him to speak to you, help you, forgive you, and provide direction that you need.