

WORSHIP

Uncharted
Worship from the Heart | Joshua 8
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We give ourselves to what we are passionate about.

HOW DO WE GROW OUR PASSION TO WORSHIP GOD?

2 Key Elements of Worship:

1. The Altar (Joshua 8:30-31)

Do we respond to God's grace with guilt or gratitude?

2. The Word (Joshua 8:32-35)

Do we see God's Word as an annoying imposition or as loving direction?

**If you want to grow your passion for God,
discover his passion for you.**

NEXT WEEK: Uncharted: Joshua 9

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SMALL GROUP GUIDE

1. WELCOME

If anyone has had a significant event in their life this past week, give them a minute to share with the group. If necessary, take some time to pray for any immediate needs right at the beginning of the meeting.

2. VISION/PURPOSE

What are some ways that your group could serve others together in the next couple months? What needs can you meet or organizations can you help? Everyone has a different comfort level with in-person activities, so be creative.

3. SMALL GROUP GUIDELINES

Review guidelines (Use "I" Statements, No Fixing, Confidentiality, Listening) that cultivate a healthy environment for sharing and discussion.

4. OPENING PRAYER

5. READ SCRIPTURE PASSAGE/TELL BIBLE STORY PASSAGE

6. DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Use a good mix of Head (informational/study) questions, Heart (personal reflection) questions, and Hand (practical application) questions. Below are questions your group can pick from to follow along with the sermon series.

7. PERSONAL SHARING AND PRAYER REQUESTS

You can share and pray in one group, in smaller groups, or in gender specific groups. Make sure that phone numbers are shared so that encouragement and connection can happen during the week.

QUESTIONS

WARM UP: What is something you are passionate about that it is easy to spend time doing? [Today we are looking at the passion of God's people to worship Him? How can we grow our passion to worship God?]

HEAD: These questions help us examine the Word.

1. Read Joshua 8:30-35. What stands out to you from the sermon or from your own study?
2. List some of the logistical challenges for God's people with traveling to Mt Ebal to worship? What does this tell us about them?
3. What is the spiritual significance of the altar being made of uncut stones? What were the two kinds of sacrifices they offered?

HEART: These questions help us wrestle with what we believe.

4. What is the difference between responding to God's grace with guilt and responding with gratitude? How do you usually respond and why?
5. What is a command in the Bible that you struggle with? How might that command actually be part of God's loving direction and protection for you?

HAND: These questions help us bring truth and beliefs into our everyday life.

6. Read Ephesians 2:1-10. Spend time in prayer and gratitude for God's grace.