

SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS

Series: Prophecy for a New Day

Part 3 – Contagion Pastor Tom Kang

I) Not many people spend much time studying the Minor Prophets, especially verse by verse. You and your Small Group are different. How have the past few weeks honestly been for you so far? What have you learned and where have you been challenged? Also share your thoughts on the following quote by Dr. James Montgomery Boice of Harvard University and former pastor:

"Few portions of Scripture have been so challenging to me as the Minor Prophets ... because they speak so directly and powerfully to present sins. It is just not possible to read them carefully without having one's life challenged and without determining to live differently. One must study them slowly, digesting what one reads and obeying it before moving on."

- 2) Read Haggai 2:10-13 as well as Leviticus 11:44 and 1 Peter 1:15 aloud as a group. Then discuss the concept of "consecration" and what it means to be "holy." Why are these important Biblical concepts and what do they mean for your life?
- 3) The main point of this past Sunday's message was: Religious ______ is no substitute for ______ . This is a soul-searching principle. Discuss.
- 4) Why do you suppose such a "no nonsense, in-your-face" prophetic book ends with a promise of BLESSING (Haggai 2:19) and a confirmation of CALLING (Haggai 2:23)?
- 5) Where do you see the Gospel of Jesus Christ in the OT prophecy of Haggai? (Hint: Think about the last passage Pastor Tom shared, Romans 12:1,2)
- 6) Which of the 3 dynamics above (Past, Present, Future) as addressed by Haggai, typically proves most challenging for you? Spend some time sharing your reasons why. Finally, pray for one another, specifically, with regard to those areas.

