



1. Opening

Purpose for Digs and Prayer (1 min)

Digs gather to study, pray, and apply the Word of God to our lives. Our hope is that we would increase in our love for God, love for one another, and tell others about Him (Matt 22:37-40; Matt 28:19-20).

Weekly Christian Formation (5 min)

Question 47* Does the Lord's Supper add anything to Christ's atoning work?

Answer: No, Christ died once for all. The Lord's Supper is a covenant meal celebrating Christ's atoning work; as it is also a means of strengthening our faith as we look to him, and a foretaste of the future feast. But those who take part with unrepentant hearts eat and drink judgment on themselves.

Scripture Reference: 1 Peter 3:18

What does this mean? How does it impact our lives?

Recap (5 min)

Recap the last time your Dig Group gathered. How did you apply God's Word over the last week(s)?

2. Bible Study June 7th (30-45 minutes)

*Read the passage aloud together.

*Pray for God's wisdom to rightly understand the passage.

Scripture Reference: Ezra 8

1. As he was preparing for the journey back, why was it crucial for Ezra to include Levites in the returning group?

2. How does Ezra demonstrate his faith and dependence on God before the journey?

3. How does the community's collective fasting and prayer before their journey impact your understanding of communal prayer in your life today?

4. How would you act in a similar situation as Ezra, having to lead a large group towards a challenging goal?

5. How would you interpret the phrase "The hand of our God is for good on all who seek Him" in your personal life?

6. What are some modern "journeys" that require the same kind of faith and trust in God and preparation as demonstrated by Ezra?

7. How can the practice of recognizing God's provision, as seen in the returned exiles, be incorporated into your life? What are some steps that you can do create space to better depend on his provision and celebrate his provision?

3. Confession and Prayer (30-45 minutes)

*Prayer: Reserve plenty of time to pray for one another.

*Prayer Challenge: Pray that God would provide opportunities for you to share Christ with people. Pray that you would make the most of every opportunity (Col 4:2-6).

**Weekly Christian Formation Questions are taken from the New City Catechism.

