

Meditating on the Word of God

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Remember: you do not have to do the entire study (you may not have time) – you can choose what questions you want to discuss.

Read Psalm 1

1. What does 'abiding in God' mean to you? Why is it important? What practices help you do this?
2. What does the 'presence of God' mean? Why is spending time with God essential? How are the Psalms particularly helpful for this?
3. What disciplines help you experience God and bring you into his presence? How do you spend time with God?
4. Who does the psalm say are blessed? Why are they blessed?
5. What is meditating on God's word? What does to meditate mean here?
6. What does delight look like? Why does the psalmist highlight it here?
7. How have you been growing in God lately? How have you been soaking in his presence? What has he been saying to you?
8. Why is it important to spend time with God with others? How does this transform us in ways that perhaps aren't so obvious when we are solitary?
9. How do we stay 'planted near the water'? How does this help us?
10. How do we take the times we spend in God's presence with us through the day? How are they more than just those moments?
11. What season are you in? How will you invite God to be with you through it?
12. Read John 15:1-11. Why is pruning painful? Why is it essential? What happens without God's pruning?
13. Think of a time when God was pruning things in your life. What was the process like at the time? What had changed by the end?

Prayer points:

- Continue to pray for the situation in Israel/Palestine and in the Ukraine, and the people affected by these conflicts.
- Pray for the people of Papua New Guinea.