



Discussion Questions

Matthew 7:7-11

Sermon: Those Who Seek

- ❖ **Those Who Seek | Matthew 7:7-11**
 - God Is Revealed to Those Who Seek Him (Matt. 7:7-11)
 - God does not give so much light that it makes seeking him unnecessary.
 - The more light we respond to, the easier we see. The more light we reject, the blinder we become.
 - **Question:** How will you begin to diligently seek the Lord today?
- ❖ **What We Find When We Find God (1 Cor 1:18-25)**
 - We find Him in the humility of the manger and the foolishness of the cross.
 - God chose to experience what we experience when we struggle to find Him.
 - **Question:** How does the message of Christ crucified challenge you? If the King of Glory chose the cross, what must be the character of those who follow Him?
- ❖ **Bottom Line: All who sincerely seek the Lord will find Him revealed in Jesus!**

Understanding Scripture

1. **Read the passage aloud.**
 - **Question:** How would the original audience have understood this passage?
 - **Question:** What was God's desire for them?
2. **Reread key verse(s) aloud.**
 - **Question:** What does this teach us about the human soul, desires, or behavior?
 - **Question:** What does this teach us about the nature, desires, or behavior of God?
3. **Ask if anything is difficult to understand in the passage, or simply point it out yourself.**
 - i. Back up from the confusing verse and reread the whole section slowly—highlight the author's flow of thought.
 - ii. If needed, provide clarification, but admit if you don't have a satisfactory explanation, and volunteer to research answers. Share your findings over text or at the next meeting.
4. **Summarize the passage in 1-3 sentences to refocus the group ("Okay, so far we've seen...")**
 - **Question:** What does this say about our relationship with God and/or each other?
 - **Question:** How do the teachings, actions, or person of Jesus shed light on this passage?

Applying Scripture

5. **Allow free-flowing discussion, incorporating questions focused on heart and habit transformation.**
 - **Matthew 7:7-11** | What does it truly mean to seek God? How does Jesus' invitation to ask, seek, and knock help our understanding of His posture towards the lost?
 - **Romans 1:18-23** | Why would total, undeniable, "100%" proof of God's existence risk producing fear or resistance instead of love and trust? What does it reveal about a person if they are wanting God to be more obvious in His existence before they can trust Him?
 - **1 Corinthians 1:18-25** | Why is the humility of being born in a manger and the foolishness of the cross against the wisdom of the world? Do your values reflect the wisdom of Jesus, or are they more shaped by the world's definition of success and power?
 - **Hebrews 1:3** | How does knowing that God Himself experienced seasons of suffering and seeking challenge the way you follow Him? In what areas of your life do you need to believe and trust in God that he truly understands your pain or confusion?
 - **Application** | What will you add or do differently this week to better seek the Lord? Where in your life do you need to humble yourself as Jesus did and stop pursuing the success and wisdom of the world?