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Groups Sermon Study Questions

The Power Test

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Message Summary

Power is a major motivator for many people today. The ability to be in control, to call the shots, to be the boss is appealing for many. But how are we, as Christians, called to respond when we find ourselves in a position of power? This week we examined how Joseph approached the Power Test and how we can honor God when we find ourselves in a position of power?

Consider This

How would you define power?

Why do you think power is so appealing in today's culture?

Who is the most powerful person you know? Why are they powerful?

Study Questions

Read Deuteronomy 8:17-18; Psalm 62:11-12; 2 Cor. 4:7

1. Who is the source of true power? How is this recognized in your life?

- 2. Knowing the source of true power, does that change how you view the power you might have? Why or why not?
- 3. 2 Corinthians 4:7 contrasts the treasure, something of value, that we have with our "ordinary-ness" (clay jars). How does this truth play out in your life?

Read 1 Thess. 5:19-21; 1 Corinthians 14:29; 2 Timothy 3:16-17.

- 4. How would you define humility?
- 5. Why do you think that humility is one of the characteristics God is looking for in us?
- 6. Think about those who have had authority over you at one time or another. Would you classify them as humble? Why or why not?
- 7. What's the difference in following someone who leads humbly versus someone who isn't humble?

Read Acts 10:38; 1 Peter 4:10, 5:2-3.

- 8. Why does God put people in positions of power or authority?
- 9. How is this different than how the world tends to exercise authority?
- 10. What is the benefit to using the power, or authority, we have as God has instructed us?

Moving Forward

This week reflect over the following questions:

- 1. What area(s) of power, influence or responsibility are you currently walking in?
- 2. Are you exercising your God-given power in a God honoring way?
- 3. How will you submit yourself to God and others while carrying this power or responsibility?