



Outward Group Discussion Guide

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SUMMARY

This sermon explores the profound meaning behind the detailed instructions for the tabernacle in Exodus chapters 25-30, revealing that God's ultimate purpose has always been intimate relationship with His people. Rather than being tedious architectural details, these passages demonstrate God's willingness to go to extraordinary lengths to dwell among His people despite their sinfulness. The tabernacle's intricate design—including the bronze basin for cleansing, the veil separating the holy of holies, and the ark of the covenant with its mercy seat—all point to both God's holiness and His desire for proximity to humanity. This Old Testament foreshadowing finds its ultimate fulfillment in Jesus Christ, who "tabernacled" among us, tearing the veil through His death to provide direct access to God's presence. The sermon challenges believers to respond to God's pursuit by contributing their time, talents, and treasures to His work, recognizing that relationship with God is worth more than any earthly possession or comfort.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. How does understanding that God wants to dwell with us personally change the way you approach reading detailed or repetitive passages in Scripture?
2. In what ways have you experienced God moving toward you, and how have you responded to His invitation for relationship?
3. What does it mean that God chose you as His treasured possession, and how does this truth impact your sense of identity and worth?
4. The bronze basin, veil, and mercy seat all point to God's holiness and our need for cleansing. How do these Old Testament symbols deepen your appreciation for what Jesus accomplished on the cross?
5. Logan describes a season where he had everything he wanted but felt empty without truly having God. Have you ever experienced a similar realization, and what did it reveal about your heart?
6. God asks only for contributions from those whose hearts are moved. What is God stirring in your

heart to contribute right now, whether time, talents, or resources?

7. How does the image of Jesus as the veil torn in two help you understand the access you now have to God's presence?
8. What barriers or comfortable things might you be holding onto that prevent you from fully dwelling with God and experiencing His presence?
9. Logan mentions that God comes where He is wanted. Do your daily choices and priorities reflect that you truly want God's presence in your life?
10. How can we move from knowing about God intellectually to experiencing genuine relationship and intimacy with Him personally?