

Small Group Discussion Questions Following the Weekend of March 21-22, 2020

Please don't feel you have to answer every question.

How is the Bible God's Word?

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Icebreaker

If you know Christians who have distanced themselves from the Bible, what reasons have they given?

Group Interaction & Application

What stood out to you from the message this weekend, or maybe created some push-back or inner tensions for you?

Pastor Alan has shared the following quote from Andrew Wilson the past couple weeks.

"I don't trust in Jesus because I trust the Bible; I trust the Bible because I trust in Jesus. I love him, and I've decided to follow him, so if he talks and acts as if the Bible is trustworthy, authoritative, good, helpful, and powerful, I will too... even if some of my questions remain unanswered or my answers remain unpopular."

How does this quote speak to you – especially in light of Jesus quoting/referencing Scripture throughout the Gospels?

We often talk about how the Bible is the inspired Word of God. How would you define that phrase?

How does Jesus view the concept of inspiration in Mark 12:35-37? How does Paul describe it in 2 Timothy 3:16?

Pastor Alan highlighted that “the Bible is both a divine and human book.”

How might embracing the human element of the Bible change how you engage with it and the expectations you hold it to?

What might you currently be wrestling with in Scripture that could be explained by this human element?

As Pastor Alan suggested at the end of the message, take a few minutes and explore together Psalm 3.

First, read it through the lens of David's humanness. What emotions was he experiencing? What attributes of God was he relying on?

Second, read it through the lens of your current emotions in this challenging season. What is Jesus speaking to your heart?

How can you live in this truth in a greater way this coming week?