

Small Group Questions

7/26.15

Dale Oquist Speaking

GETTING TO KNOW YOU:

1. What are you passionate about? A favorite sports team? A cause? Or...?

RECAP:

On Sunday, we continued our series, AGENDA: A Study in the Prophets, with a look at Jeremiah. He spoke for God to a people who had to live with the very people who had defeated them and now hold them captive in a foreign land (God's people in exile in Babylon). The instructions God gave through Jeremiah may not match the very way we approach living in our culture where people hold different values and views.

2. We've heard of scenarios where people who root for opposing teams, causes, etc. get into severe altercations. How do you deal with people who don't share your same passion for a team, a cause, etc?

DIGGING DEEPER:

verses: Jeremiah 29:1, 4-14

God's people are living in exile in Babylon. There can be tension between people who have differing values, views, and beliefs. On Sunday, Dale used 3 different types of gloves to illustrate how we respond to these tensions; Latex Gloves, Boxing Gloves, and Work Gloves.

3. What is your typical reaction to tension with people who do not believe like you? Do you put on Latex Gloves ("don't get polluted") or Boxing Gloves ("Put 'em up. It's on!")? Flight or Fight?

Read verses 4-7 of Jeremiah 29 together

How do you love God in the midst of a culture that is against God? You put on the third type of glove; Work Gloves. You pray for the peace and prosperity of the city God has carried you to.

4. Take time to discuss how if Christ-followers, in every sector of life, would take off their "latex" or "boxing" gloves and put on their "work" gloves; it could begin to bring harmony, completeness, and wholeness (peace or "shalom") to a community or region.

TAKING IT HOME:

5. What are you going to do this week to bring peace and prosperity to your city? Answer these 2 questions together: Who in your life is in need of peace? What has God blessed you with; what do you have to give (money, time, position, skill, etc.)?

Join us on Wednesday nights at 7:00p If you don't already have another class you attend on Wednesday nights, please join us at Peoples Church for our continuing series on Revelation.

2015 Backpack Drive Collecting backpacks and school supplies until Sunday, August 2. Bring items to the lobby or church office.

All Church Event: "Night at the Fresno Grizzlies Game" | Wednesday, August 5 at 7.05p Join us as we have a church-wide evening out at the ballpark (Chuckchansi Park). Tickets are \$10 each and on sale in the lobby or at the church office. *(no Wednesday Night Revelation Series at PC on 8/5)*