

Small Group Questions

9/27.15

Dale Oquist Speaking

GETTING TO KNOW YOU:

1. Have you ever been right by mistake? You guessed a result, answered a question, or accomplished a feat out of sheer luck and not any understanding or skill at all?

RECAP:

We continued our series called ReMastered: The Message in High-Definition. In Matthew 16 Jesus took his disciples up to an out-of-the-way place to ask them some key questions. The answers to these questions will determine their future when Jesus is gone. Peter answers the first question from Jesus correctly – sort of. He then proceeds to show how wrong he really was.

Dale used these two questions as the basis for his teaching on Sunday and showed how Jesus cuts to the core of all issues by asking them.

2. Have you ever thought you were absolutely right about someone or something and later realized how wrong you really were? How does that happen?

DIGGING DEEPER:

verses: Matthew 16:13-28

“Who do you say I am?” Peter answers right, but really only half-right. His definition of “Messiah” (overthrow enemies, rule, etc) is different than Jesus’ definition (suffer, die, be buried, rise, go to heaven, come again, etc). Peter thought he knew God’s will better than Jesus knew God’s will.

3. Who do you say Jesus is?
4. Why is it so important to listen to God’s voice rather than our own? To be conformed to the image of Christ rather than into our own *imagination* of Christ?

TAKING IT HOME:

Verses 24-26 could be summed up, “Why do you exist as a person? If you want to live your life with purpose and not waste it, do this...”

- 1) “...come after me” → an extravagant, ardent, “nothing can stop me” pursuit of Jesus.
- 2) “...deny yourself” → die to your own self-absorption.
- 3) “...take up your cross” → every moment, live for the purposes of Jesus.
- 4) “...follow me” → *keep* following Jesus. *never* give up. it’s a journey, not a destination.
5. How do these instructions encourage and/or challenge you to live with purpose this week?

Missions Week | *Beyond My World* | October 4-11 Remember that Missions week begins Sunday (10/4) with the Teen Challenge 200 voice choir. Be prepared to be challenged to make a difference and live *beyond your world*.

Women | “Dream it, Do It” | Fall Conference | October 2-3 (PC Campus) Speaker: Caroline Barnett, LA Dream Center. Registration is \$35 (\$40 after 9/23)

Men | “Model Man” Bible Study | Wednesdays at 7p (606/608)

Join us on Wednesday nights at 7p 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.