Small Group Questions

7.31.16

Speaking: Pastor Dale Oquist

Wired | A Life of Worship: A Worshiper God Seeks

1. We will all worship - The question is what or who will you worship?

LOOKING BACK:

On Sunday, Pastor Dale referenced back to a story he told a couple weeks ago. Three teenagers lost in a cave, pitch black, 100,000 bats and afraid. This week He focused on the perspective of the search for the three boys, and had the search parties not set out to find them, they may never have been found. Pastor Dale also continued on with the Woman at the Well in John 4. Jesus approached the Woman and asked her for a drink of water (In a time where Jews and Samaritans were at the highest point of tension, He, in enemy territory, Jesus approaches this woman. He asks Her for a drink of water), Although she was unaware, the water was not what he was interested in. - The woman was spiritually confused, a social outcast, probably is a little brazen, but like many of us, she is no longer known for her past, she is known for the moments documented in John 4 27-29(We will look at this again).

DIGGING DEEPER:

John 4:23-24: "Yet a time is coming and has now come when the true worshipers will worship the Father in the Spirit and in truth, for they are the kind of worshipers the Father seeks."

God sought Us out, God found Us where we were. Just like the woman at the well and the three boys in the cave, without The Lord seeking us out, we would not have the ability to have Our own personal relationship with Him.

2. What and Who would you be if God hadn't sought you out and began a relationship?

TAKING IT HOME:

God meets our deepest needs. John 4:27-29"Just then his disciples returned and were surprised to find him talking with a woman. But no one asked, "What do you want?" or "Why are you talking with her? *Then, leaving her water jar*, the woman went back to the town and said to the people, Come, see a man who told me everything I ever did. Could this be the Messiah?"

Here is where we see the Woman's reaction to Jesus seeking her and giving her life beyond water. This woman is in such a deep in a state of worship that she literally turns and runs, exposes ALL of her darkest sins and then shares the good news of Jesus. She doesn't hesitate because the pureness in this worship.

3. What does the jar symbolize in your life? A boat, a job, a spouse, a hobby, etc?

Like the three boys, did you hear voices in the distant, see the flickers of light bouncing off the wall of the cave, and how was the first embrace? Did you know you were safe, and that you were home in Jesus!

- 4. How would/did you worship when you were first found?
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