

Jesus is Bigger than any other hunger

SMALL GROUP NOTES

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Theme

On Sunday Tom looked at the amazing promise in Hebrews verse 10 of Chapter 8 that now God has "put my laws into their minds and written them on their hearts" i.e. made us hungry for God. In contrast to the old covenant that was written on physical and external tablets of stone, now as Disciples of Jesus He has written the laws on our hearts. Our deepest identity is as ones who love Him and want to do His Will. So how can we live in the good of this? How can we actually have a hunger for Jesus as our supreme hunger more than so many other things that actually can fill our souls?

Together we looked at two keys. We need to see that:

1. He has done it (Hebrews Chapter 8:8-12, 8:1) - He HAS achieved something utterly profound in giving us new hearts and hunger so now we live accordingly.
2. He IS doing it (Hebrews Chapter 8:2). He is a minister who "works all things for the good (our hunger) of those who love Him" (Romans 8:28).

Questions for discussion

- 1) What challenges do you face when it comes to hungering after God?
- 2) Reading verses 8-12 what encouragements do you find about what Jesus has done for you to make your very identity a hungry one?
- 3) How can we allow the truth that Jesus is ministering for us now to shape our every part of our lives?