Sermon Discussion Questions

OMG! - Denise Wallingford

2 July 2023

Sermon Text: Mark 9:2-9

AGENDA

- People arrive, talk, snack, and icebreaker 5 min
- Worship − 5-10 min
- Prayer/Ministry Time 20 min
- Discussion Questions 35-45 min

PRAYER/MINISTRY TIME (20-30 min)

Ask for prayer requests. Ask for specific needs of group members.

MESSAGE INTRODUCTION

This week Denise Wallingford, in her message titled OMG!, discusses what it really means to call upon the Lord and what happens when we lay everything down and declare His goodness and power in our lives.

Icebreakers

Pick one of the icebreaker questions below and go around in a circle (starting with the leader) and have everyone answer. (If you have new members or guests have each person introduce themselves.)

- 1. Do you have any 4th of July traditions? What are they?
- 2. What is one of the weirdest things you have ever collected?
- 3. Can you name one of your elementary school teachers? What made them special?

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS (35-45 min)

- 1. Last week you were asked to speak up when the situation presented itself. Did you find an opportunity to speak "grace" (divine favor) into someone's life?
- 2. What is something that stood out to you from Denise's message this week?
- 3. The tabernacle is the dwelling place of God. How does it feel or change you to know that God now dwells in the lives of believers? (God lives inside of you. You are now His place of residence).
- 4. For the Jews, until the coming of Jesus, everything about them rested on the Law and Prophets. During the Transfiguration, the Law and Prophets are represented by Moses and Elijah. The central parts of Jewish life, yet here they are paying homage to Jesus. What are some things that make this encounter special? How do you think you might have reacted?
- 5. In verses 7-8, they hear the voice of God saying, "This is my Son, whom I love. Listen to him!". Suddenly, things are back to normal. What is our response to this? (Maybe a better question is What should our response to this be?)

6. In verse 9, Jesus tells the disciples not to tell anyone what they just witnessed until after He had risen from the dead. Why do you think that Jesus told them not to tell anyone yet?

APPLICATION

Take a few moments this week to experience an OMG! moment. Allow yourself to be humbled. Allow yourself to be afraid. Allow yourself to be grateful. Allow yourself to not be ashamed to share the majesty and glory of God and share this encounter with those you meet.

COMING UP

To join a small group or find out more about what is going on at NWC, go to https://nwckc.com or the New Wine Church Community Group Facebook page. Study materials are also available on the website or Facebook page.

New Wine Kids Camp at PowerPlay, 12-14 July, 10 am to 2 pm. Ages 4 through 5th grade. Cost is \$75. See website for more details and to register.

Baptisms, 23 July, 9 and 11 am, Oak Park HS. See website for more details and to register.

FINAL THOUGHT

The culmination of the Law and Prophets is found in Jesus.