

Sermon Discussion Questions

It's All About Jesus – Matt Slocum
3 September 2023
Sermon Text: Luke 24:44-49

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 Pastor Matt challenges us put our focus on Jesus. Everything we do and everything we say should be about one thing: bringing heaven to earth. And the way we step into what God has for us is through the Word of God.

Even though we receive many blessings we may still suffer. But we understand, as followers of Christ, it's all about Jesus.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS (35-45 min)

1. Last week we were challenged to stop being Jonah. We were asked to think about areas in our life where we had become offended and carry those offenses around with us. Was there anything the Holy Spirit brought to your mind? Are you still carrying it around with you?

2. What is something that really stood out to you from the message this week?

3. At New Wine Church, we are about one thing: "On Earth As In Heaven". If you've been part of NWC for a while now, how do you think we are doing? What could we do better? If you're new to NWC, what do you think the church should look like to demonstrate and live-out "On Earth As In Heaven"?

4. People need food to survive. Many people also take supplements. What will happen if we try to survive on supplements alone?

As followers of Christ, we live on God's Word. Sermons, podcasts, religious books and music, and other things are only supplements. Do we sometimes find ourselves feeding more on the supplements and not enough on the Word of God? What happens if we try to live on these supplements alone?

(You can share you answer to the group for these next questions if you want, but you don't have to.) How well are you feeding yourself? Are you giving yourself the food (God's Word) you need to survive?

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. What is your favorite board game of all time? What makes it special?

2. Would others say that you spoil your pet? How?

3. What is one commercial you just can't get out of your head?

5. In our scripture for this message, Jesus sums up the Old Testament this way:

- i. The Messiah/Christ: God's chosen, anointed, representative.
- ii. Suffering/Death
- iii. Resurrection/New Creation, blessing to all nations.

Jesus says to His disciples that EVERYTHING in the Law, the Prophets, and the Psalms is all about Him. He says that it all points to Him. What do you think about that statement? Can you see in the Law, Prophets, and Psalms where we see it pointing to Jesus? Can you give any examples?

APPLICATION

This week we were challenged to allow ourselves to become refocused and get back to one thing: Jesus. Are there things in your life that are causing you to lose focus and make you lose sight of the one thing that really matters most? What are some practical ways you can shut out all of the distractions and get back to just one thing?

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.

Financial Peace University, 5 Sep-14 Nov, Tuesday Evenings, 6-8 pm, New Wine Church, 7102 N. Prospect Ave, Gladstone, MO. Sign up at: <https://subspla.sh/b38mww2/>

Men's Breakfast, 9 September, 9-11 am, New Wine Church, 7102 N. Prospect Ave, Gladstone, MO

Men's Retreat, 13-14 October, New Wine Church, 7102 N. Prospect Ave, Gladstone, MO (more details to follow)

FINAL THOUGHT

To be a follower of Jesus is to become part of His story.