

Tell The World
Week One
December 10/11, 2016

Main Point: If we take time to prepare ourselves, the experience can be the best – prepare your minds. “Be still and KNOW that I am God”. Psalm 46:10

1. Preparing. What things are you preparing for as you approach Christmas day? Are there things you are anticipating that are challenging or are you just so excited? Why?
2. What is the most familiar part of the Christmas story for you? What is your favorite part of the story? Finish this sentence – “every year we...”.
3. Pastor Ken shared that Israel continued doing the same things over and over. Read Isaiah 1:2-3, 1:11-13, 1:15-20. How do you think God is feeling towards Israel? Why is he feeling this way?
4. Are you experiencing Christmas and enjoying the season or is it just routine?
5. Read Isaiah 1:13 again. God wants us to bring ourselves into His presence. He longs for us.
6. Read Psalm 46:10. What does that look like for you? What do you want it to look like?
7. “Be still”. Pastor Ken encouraged us to engage our minds and thoughts. **Read 1 Peter 1:13** How do you think that would work for you? Could it be just slowing down or “being prepared”? **Read Joshua 1:11**. What great thing was God going to do for them because they were prepared?

8. "know that I am God". How do you get to know someone? How can you get to know God in the "be still" moments?
9. Take time to answer these questions:
- a. What do you want to experience this Christmas?
 - b. What do you need to do, to become better prepared for Christmas this year?
 - c. Who is in your life that you could love them not in a casual way, but in a relentless love way so they could come to know this amazing Savior?
10. Write Psalm 46:10 down in a place where you will see it often. Prepare for God to change your life and the lives of those you love.

Further Reading:

Romans 12:1

Luke 10:38-40