



April 28, 2024 – Sermon Discussion Questions

ICEBREAKER

1. Do highs and lows from the last week!
2. Share a recent experience from your week where you lived as a citizen of heaven.

DIG A LITTLE DEEPER

1. Review the message –
Whatever happens, conduct yourselves in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ. Then, whether I come and see you or only hear about you in my absence, I will know that you stand firm in the one Spirit, striving together as one for the faith of the gospel. Philippians 1:27
 - Jesus taught the “how” of politics, not the “what”. People are not your enemy. Our hope is in Jesus and his kingdom over and above any political leader or party
 - When the risen and returning Savior unites us, there is no politician or ideology that can divide us
 - History and cultural pride is written deeply on us and has been for past generations
 - We are to conduct ourselves in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ
 - We are to have an allegiance to our citizenship of the kingdom of God. We represent the gospel of Jesus
 - The story of Jesus’ resurrection and return must be more significant than the story of your preferred political party platform
2. Ryan talked about his daughter’s citizenship and how it will relate to her life. What other areas of your life impact your views? This may be a social group, school, career, etc. How can you practically live out both your kingdom and earthly citizenship, especially when it is difficult? What scriptures come to mind that may help you? Consider 1 Thes 5:17, Galatians 5:22-25
3. Where this week have you failed to tell the story “Jesus is Lord” in your life? Where have you lost yourself in a moment and needed God’s gentle reminder to do as Phil 1:27 says with your conduct?
4. Easy places to live are ANXIETY and PRIDE. What words are antonyms of these? What does the bible say about how we should handle anxiety and pride? How can your group pray for you specifically as you face these places?
5. Listen to the song “Oh praise the Name” and discuss what words or phrases stand out as it relates to living in our culture today as a uniquely united people

CLOSING

1. Pray the following prayer
Lord, we thank you that your kingdom is where our citizenship is, not here on earth.. Your word says that we are to stand firm with the belt of truth buckled around our waist. Help us to remember that we are not responsible for the truth, you are. See if there is any offensive way in us, and lead us in the way everlasting (Psalm 139:24). As we close our series together on being united uniquely, we pray to remember to do everything without grumbling or arguing so that we may become blameless and pure children of God. May we conduct ourselves in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ. You are over all things and will lovingly care for us when we trust in you. In Jesus’ name we ask you to help us to be more like you. Amen