



Seeing God in History

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Small Group Discussion Questions

Getting Started

Take some time to catch up and connect as a group. Pray before discussion. Expect God to move through your time together!

Pacing Your Group

Move quickly through “observation” leaving enough time for “reflection”, “discussion”, and “surrender.”

Scripture Reading

Re-read the scripture passages as needed when you discuss the questions.

Observation: What does this scripture passage say?

Take some time to look up and read: Proverbs 21:1, Psalm 22:28, Romans 13:1

1. What do these verses tell us about God’s hand in directing human history?

Reflection and Discussion: What are some first thoughts flowing from the scriptures?

How do the scriptures connect to everyday life.

2. Take some time to reflect and discuss together the amazing, the mysterious, and the complexity of these three aspects of God’s hand in history:

The Unbroken Fulfillment of Prophecy

- Approximately 25 percent of the Bible is predictive—one verse out of four!
- Approximately 2,000 different prophetic predictions; 350 about Jesus.
- Over half of Biblical predictions have been fulfilled; none have proved wrong.

The Unequaled Impact of Jesus

It is interesting and significant that a historian, without any theological bias whatever, should find that he cannot portray the progress of humanity honestly without giving a foremost place to a penniless teacher from Nazareth. A historian like myself, who does not even call himself a Christian, finds the picture centering irresistibly around the life and character of this most significant man. – HG Wells

The Unmatched History of Israel

Over 2000 years, Israel has retained their culture, identity, language, and religion...

3. What makes it difficult to trust God to direct your history?
4. What does it look like in daily practice to let God direct your story?

Surrender: Responding to God’s voice.

5. What is one thing God is saying to you through this study and discussion?

**** Take some time to pray for one another in response to what has been discussed today ****

We’re here!

We would love to hear about how things are going in your life group!
Reach out any time with questions, ideas, thoughts, or concerns.

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A primary resource in compiling these questions has been the *NIV Life Application Study Bible* (Zondervan, 1984)