

Small Group Study Guide:
Ki Tisa - Beyond Sabbath Observance
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Discussion Questions

Q1: The pastor mentioned several posts he's *never* seen on social media about spiritual growth. Why do you think people are more likely to post about Sabbath-keeping than about prayer breakthroughs or victory over gossip?

Q2: How does viewing Shabbat as an "entry point" rather than the "end-all of faith" change your perspective? Does this challenge or encourage you?

Q3: Read Isaiah 56:6-7. What does it mean that God's house will be "a house of prayer for all nations"? How does this expand our understanding of who Sabbath is for?

Q4: The message states: "Everything we do as Believers should be seen as holy work." What would change in your daily routine if you truly viewed your Monday-Friday activities as holy work?

Q5: Discuss 2 Peter 3:11-13. What does it practically look like to "live your lives in holiness and godliness" while "hastening the coming of the day of God"?

Q6: How do we balance the importance of Sabbath observance with the danger of becoming legalistic or prideful about it?

Q7: Read Exodus 30:17-21 about the bronze basin. Why do you think Aaron's sons needed to wash *every time* they approached God, even though they were already chosen and set apart?

Q8: The pastor warns against thinking "all sins past, present, and future are forgiven" in a way that leads to spiritual arrogance. How do we maintain both confidence in God's grace AND a healthy fear of sin?

Q9: Read Matthew 23:26-28. What are some ways we might be "whitewashed tombs" - looking righteous on the outside while harboring sin within?

Q10: Review Exodus 34:6-7, which lists God's attributes:

- Compassionate
- Gracious
- Slow to anger
- Abundant in lovingkindness
- Abundant in truth
- Showing mercy
- Forgiving
- Just (not leaving guilty unpunished)

Which of these attributes do you need to reflect more in your daily life?
Which one challenges you most?