

Sermon Discussion Questions

Getting Started:

What was most challenging, helpful, or troubling in the sermon?

Digging Deeper:

1. See James 1:23-25. Cultural/nominal Christianity is a phenomenon. What opportunities and/or challenges has this presented to your own faith journey?
 - a. How do you know whether you yourself are a cultural Christian vs a genuine follower of Jesus? Reflect on the following to formulate your answer:
 - i. “Moralistic Therapeutic Deism has little to do with God or a sense of divine mission in the world. it offers comfort, bolsters self-esteem, helps solve problems, and lubricates interpersonal relationships by encouraging people to do good, feel good, and keep God at arm’s length.”
 - b. What’s your relationship with obedience to the Lord in your day to day? Do you make a list, pray or brainstorm with people?
2. See Isa 48:11. It is sometimes hard to see God's majesty, power, and transcendence. What helps you to stay in awe and wonder of His glory?
 - a. A new Christian asks you “how do I keep God’s glory in the forefront of all that I do?” How would you know if you’re not?
3. See Num 6:27; Exo 20:7; Rom 6:15-16. In what realm of life or experience does the blessing of God’s name upon us feel empty/void/irrelevant?

Empowered by the Holy Spirit:

Pray:

- a. How do you need grace to transform your outlook on your purpose in life?
- b. See 1 John 4:18. Pray you fear and remember His love.