

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Interested in leading/facilitating/hosting a small group?

New groups begin February 1st...Let us know!

RELATIONAL CONNECT & CHECK-IN

- If your life had a “highlight reel” *and* a “blooper reel,” which one would be longer? Why?
- What’s the hardest thing to have faith in right now in your life?

GROUP DISCUSSION

Read Hebrews 11:7 as a group (x2). Share anything that immediately resonates w/ you.

1. Noah obeyed God without visible evidence for 120 years. What do you think sustained his obedience when nothing around him validated it? (Leader: push past “faith”... ask what habits, fears, or convictions might have anchored him.)

2. Noah believed God over his eyes and feelings. Where do you most often trust your instincts *more* than God’s Word...even while claiming faith?

3. What commands of Jesus do you quietly hope are symbolic, exaggerated, or culturally outdated? Why those? Be honest. (Leader: this is where good theology might meet resistance let tension sit.)

4. Noah feared God more than public opinion. Whose disappointment do you most structure your life to avoid right now? What does that reveal about your functional fear? How could you restructure to have a healthy fear of God?

5. The ark wasn’t just personal obedience - it was public obedience. Can you identify any differences between private belief and visible faith in your life? Where are they misaligned? (Leader: These questions pull no punches this week...but there can be so much good that comes from self-reflection, transparency and honesty as a group!)

6. Imagine being Noah’s spouse or child. How hard would it have been if you were in their shoes? How does your faith (or lack of obedience) practically shape the spiritual safety of those closest to you?

7. In Matt’s message, he compared the flood to radical cancer treatment. What might God be trying to remove from your life that feels destructive...but could actually be healing?

8. “Faith is living today in a way you’ll be glad you did later.” If you stood before Jesus five minutes after death, what current decision would you regret not surrendering (Leader: give space. This one lands.)

9. Noah didn’t understand everything but he just acted. Is there an uncertainty in your life right now that you’d be willing to share and trust that God is going to use that for your good and His glory?

ACTION STEP

Name one specific act of obedience you’ve delayed. This week, do the first uncomfortable step...even if it feels scary or premature.

Lastly: How can we pray as a group for you as a group? Be honest...