

Life Group Discussion Questions

Sunday, May 5th, 2024

James 1:1-11

Pastor Nate Holdridge

ICEBREAKER QUESTION: What was one of the wisest pieces of advice you have been given?

HEAD

These questions will help us understand what the scripture teaches (who God is, what He's done, who we are, and how we should live).

- 1) What stood out to you in this section of scripture or from Sunday's sermon?
- 2) What does James mean when he says we should ask for wisdom in faith, without doubting? How does double-mindedness hinder receiving wisdom from God?

HEART

These questions will shape our hearts in light of the gospel. Our goal will be to align what we know with what we believe in our hearts.

- 3) How do you typically respond to trials in your life? Do you find it challenging to count them as joy, and why?
- 4) In what ways have you found yourself defining your identity or worth based on the things of this world (finances, health, work, status, etc)? How does this passage challenge those notions?

HANDS

This question will be geared towards us responding to the passage by allowing the Holy Spirit to change how we live.

- 5) How can you actively seek God's wisdom in your current circumstances, and what changes can you make to demonstrate a commitment to following His guidance?

Prayer Application: Pray especially for the children and youth in our church, that they would grow mature in their faith, as we are all called to do!



ANNOUNCEMENTS

These announcements are filled with ways that Calvary's vision & mission are realized in our church. We can see Jesus Famous in our lives by loving Him, growing in Him, and sharing Him in these different opportunities.

Equip Conference | May 17-18

\$40 adults, \$5 Middle & High Schoolers

Childcare \$15/child

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At our upcoming Equip Conference, we'll not only be getting a better understanding of how we can make sense of the Bible for ourselves, but also an understanding of how we can then share the Bible with our friends and families. We are so excited that pastor, author, and seminary instructor Dan Kimball will be joining us as our guest speaker to share with us specifically "How Not To Read The Bible". If you haven't registered for the Equip Conference yet, now's the time. Join us on May 17-18 for three teaching sessions, breakout groups, Friday dessert, plus Saturday breakfast treats and lunch. Go online to reserve your spot today!

Worship Night | Friday, May 31

As Christians, we believe that God reveals Himself to us as we worship Him. If you remember in the book of Acts, it was in a moment of worship when God's Spirit met Paul and Silas as they were in prison - broke the handcuffs right off of them - and then converted their prison guard to faith. It was through worship that God released His power in that prison, and it's our hope today that God will continue to save and redeem people here in Monterey County as we worship together. At our upcoming Worship Night, we'll all be standing on the floor facing each other in a circular fashion so that we can really get that sense of worshipping "together". It's going to be a special time of connecting with God and each other. Childcare and dinner will be available. You can find out more details about the night by going to calvary.com.

Bridge Graduates!

This weekend we celebrated the graduation of two more residents of the Bridge Restoration Ministry! Amanda Padilla and Rodrigo Luna have recently completed a year of sobriety, discipleship, and job training. This is no easy task. Praise God for their graduation and pray for them in their transition. As a church, we're so blessed to partner with the Bridge and watch story after story of restoration. If you're interested in mentoring a Bridge resident, financially supporting the ministry, or partnering with them in prayer, head to their website, TBRM.org.

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