

SERMON DISCUSSION GUIDE

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Foundational Practice: Embracing the Gospel (Colossians 2:6-7)

Embracing the Gospel is at a point in time and over time. We trust Christ as our Savior and Lord for eternity and for today. Daily, we are learning how to walk in Him, rooted and built up in Him and established in the faith. Have 1-2 people in the group share their redemption story or ways they're experiencing God's redemption in their life currently. Take 5-7 minutes per person, after sharing, spend some time responding to what you heard and how you see God at work in their life.

1. Last week the sermon discussion guide challenged you to identify areas you are reluctant to pray about. How has your prayer life grown this past week? Share with your life group ways, even if they are small, you've grown in your prayer life this past week.
2. Read Joshua 11 out loud as a Life Group. What stands out to you in this passage and why? What caught your attention in the teaching of this passage?
3. A key theme in this week's sermon text is the obedience of Joshua and consequently, the people of Israel, to the commands of God. Read John 13:34-35 aloud. How have you been growing in your obedience of this commandment? What areas of obedience to this commandment do you still have an opportunity to lean into?

"The important thing for us is not simply knowing the Bible but doing what it says."

-BRAD BELL

4. This passage contains elements relating to God's sovereignty (see Joshua 11:19-20). How has the sovereignty of God been a troubling characteristic of God for you? How has it been a comfort?
5. The sermon concludes with highlighting the power God possesses over "giants". What "giants" have you been bullied by in your life? Are there any "giants" God is asking you to confront with His strength and power?

CLOSING CHALLENGE

A big topic in this passage is obedience. Which of the questions above (Loving others, trusting God's sovereignty, or fighting giants) do you need to obey and respond with action? Consider what ways you can actively participate in disciple making to those around you? Your family? The next generation?