

LIFE GROUP – WEEK FIVE

Enjoying God's Creativity

Psalm 104

This Fall, our sermon series is a deep dive into one of our core values as a church: enjoying God. Each week, we will focus on a different attribute of God and discover how we can go beyond knowing about God intellectually and begin to enjoy God relationally.

SERMON RECAP

It's the first thing we learn on the pages of Scripture: God creates. His creativity can be seen in so many ways: in nature, in humanity, through science, in salvation. God's world is teeming with creativity - and he invites us to enjoy and participate in his creative work.

Enjoying God's creativity goes beyond simply looking at a beautiful sunrise. We enjoy his creativity most when we join in his creative redemptive work.

GETTING STARTED

Ice Breaker: If you could only wear one pair of shoes for the rest of your life what would they be?

Going Deeper: How did you enjoy God this past week? Did you find yourself enjoying God in any unexpected moments?

REMINDER

These guides are meant to facilitate PRESENCE - to God and one another - not to check boxes. Feel free to let conversation naturally flow to whichever questions connect with you personally. As the Spirit leads you, feel free to set aside this guide to pause, praise, and pray together.

Our discipleship to Jesus is meant to be a holistic way of living, involving our whole selves - head, heart, and hands. While each person will likely gravitate to one of these over the others, it's important we all consider how God's love affects our minds, our hearts, and our actions.

HEAD	We often think of God's creation in terms origination – creatively making something out of nothing. But Bubba also pointed out that his creativity includes design (creatively organizing things to work well), invention (creatively using things that already exist to make something new), and redemption (creatively taking what has been broken and making it new again). How does this make you think differently about God's creativity? How does it make you think differently about your own creativity? Outside of Genesis 1-2, what examples of God's creativity come to mind for you? (Think origination, design, invention, AND redemption)
HEART	Would you call yourself a creative person? If so, how does that play out in your life? If not, what would it look like to re-imagine the role of creativity in your life? Which of the creativity killers Bubba mentioned are you most prone to - busyness, fear of failure, fear of judgment, perfectionism?
HANDS	Do you sense God inviting you to start anything - a song, a business, a hobby, a project - to enjoy his creativity more? Do you sense God inviting you to re-start anything - something you used to enjoy but have set aside - to enjoy his creativity more? What is your favorite creative outlet? How could you approach that as a way to connect with God and enjoy his creativity?

PRAY TOGETHER

Close your discussion with a time of extended prayer (10-15min).

Begin your time by having someone read Psalm 104:1-9.

Then take time to offer prayers of Adoration to God for his creativity in creation, in redemption, and in your own life.

End by praying for any prayer requests that your group has.