

March 25th, 2018 Message Discussion Questions

Redeemed Relationships – Ephesians 6.5-9

Main Goal (FOR LEADER): to have good discussion around our roles at work and how to best use our time there for God's glory and kingdom good.

REVIEW:

On Sunday's we've been going through a series called "Redeeming Relationships" to see how God purposes us to live in relationships with one another under the Gospel.

1. This week we focused on employer/employee relationships – in Ephesians 6.5-9.

- If members of your group were in service, take a couple minutes to review the main points and any major take-aways.

LESSON: *In 1 Peter 2, Peter expounds on the slave/master relationship (employment/school is our parallel) in a slightly different way than Paul does in Ephesians.*

2. As a group, read 1 Peter 2.18-25

- What are some OBSERVATIONS you make as you read this text? (facts)
- Whats the main point (if you had to narrow it down to a sentence or two?)

3. How does the second half of this passage bring meaning (v21 calls it a "calling") to HOW we follow Christ while we're at work interacting with others?

4. Now as a group read 1 Timothy 6.1-2.

- How does this bring meaning/purpose to our "call" to live for Christ at work?

SHARPENING DISCUSSION:

5. How have you "shown respect" (1 Tim. 6.1, Eph. 6.5) to those in authority over YOU at work?

- What are some helpful ways to do this today?

6. Can a Christian work for a company that doesn't "honor God" in every way?

- Why or why not?

7. How do you view your workplace as a missions field? What might be some effective ways to reach people there?

- * Is one bound by "company policy" to not share their faith, or can we do that anyway? How have you handled living on mission with policies like that or similar in place?

8. Whats one thing you'll apply to your life this week as a result of interacting with God's Word here together?

PRAY TOGETHER.

- Whats one thing about being on mission at work that the group can pray for?
- Who's one person you'll invite to Easter the group can pray for by name?