

Life Group Questions

One Question Series: Does God Have a Violent Streak?

Instructions: A life group is a family growing in Jesus together (worship), caring for each other (community), and BLESSing our neighbors together (mission). It's good to begin with a couple of the CONNECT questions. Then read the Scriptures and discuss. Make sure to conclude by applying the passage and finishing with a time of prayer.

CONNECT Questions

1. Today's question is "Does God have a violent streak?" What are some possible answers? How do you respond to these?
2. From Sunday's message, is there a thought or idea that especially intrigued, provoked, disturbed, challenged, encouraged, or surprised you?
3. Share something you are thankful for or a challenge you are facing right now.
4. How did you do with your last "I Will" statement?

READ Mark 9:2-10 (The Transfiguration)

1. Have someone retell the passage in their own words.
2. What stands out or is interesting to you?
3. What could be the significance of God saying, "This is my Son, listen to HIM (Jesus alone)?" rather than "Listen to THEM (Jesus, Moses, and Elijah)?"
4. What do you learn about people in this passage? (yourself, others)
5. What do you learn about God in this passage? (his character, his ways, etc.)
6. What are your thoughts about this quote from Brian Zahnd: *God is like Jesus. God has always been like Jesus. There has never been a time when God was not like Jesus. We haven't always known this, But now we do.*

LIVE IT OUT

1. How can you apply this passage this week? (Create an "I Will..." statement")
2. How is this passage calling our group to live out God's mission to bless others?

PRAY

