

2020 Community Groups

WEEKLY GUIDE

May 24th

World Gone Wild – “Relationships”

Pastor Aaron’s Sermon this week was on Relationships. It dealt with the following questions: How do you learn how to do relationships? How do you learn to put up with people you don’t like? How do you learn to endure situations that make you feel uncomfortable, especially where others are against you? The message gives us **The Example**, **The Execution**, and **The Essentials** as Pastor Aaron walks us through essential qualities that mark our relationships, and how we can apply them to our lives.

Community Prayer:

Eternal God, I exalt You, and I lift your name on High because of who you are. We have been blessed once again to Fellowship together in spite of what is going on around us. Help us to absorb the importance of building healthy relationships, as we examine this truth from your Word. Thank you, Holy Spirit, for being our Teacher today; in Jesus’ Name we pray, Amen.

Opening Questions

1. We have all had coworkers, or even neighbors, that we just found hard to love or couldn’t figure out why they didn’t love us. How do you deal with this co-worker or neighbor who doesn’t like you and there is no apparent reason?
2. What Biblical principle/scripture would you use to assist you in reconciling this situation?

EXPLORATION

Read the passages below...what can you learn about what it means to follow Jesus from these passages? (Have someone read from their bible)

The Example

1 Peter 2: 21

3. Christ endured suffering to obtain our salvation. Why is it so difficult for some Christians to understand suffering when it comes into their life? How do you handle suffering?

What Jesus did, he didn’t do for himself, he did it for us! He did it for you!



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Romans 8: 28

4. How can going through this pandemic work together for your good?
5. What is God trying to teach you through this?
6. How might others process what is going on? Those who might not know Jesus or have been called according to His purpose?

1 Peter 2: 22

7. Why is this scripture so important to our salvation?

1 Peter 2: 23

8. What lessons do you learn from this verse? How are you doing at following Jesus' example?
9. We have all committed these sins. Think about a time you hurled an Insult or retaliated against someone and felt the Immediate conviction of the Holy Spirit. Why do you think you felt that conviction?

1 Peter 2: 24

Jesus died so that we can live!

10. Think about the weight of your sins and the price that was paid by Jesus. Sit in that for a minute and then talk about how you feel.
11. What is your responsibility, and best way to thank Jesus for His sacrifice on your behalf?

1 Peter 2: 25

12. Why is it so important for Sheep to have a Shepherd?
13. What is the responsibility of the Shepherd?

The Execution

Workplace (1 Peter 2: 17-18)

The term Slave relative to our current society refers to Employees.

14. How do you honor God in your workplace? Do you work better for a cordial manager or a dictator? What does this verse tell us to do?

Galatians 3: 28

15. Because we are all one in God's eyes what does this say to you as an Employer? As an Employee?



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Family (1 Peter 3: 1-2)

16. As a wife, do you find it difficult to submit to your husband? Why?
17. Who should both the husband and wife submit to?

1 Peter 3: 7

18. Husbands, what is the consequence of you not treating your wife with respect and honor?

Wives, can I get an Amen?

The Essentials

1 Peter 3: 8

19. What does be “like-minded” mean to you?
20. How do you show sympathy to someone?
21. Give an example of loving one-another?
22. Paint your picture of being compassionate?
23. Share your concept of humility?

THE TAKEAWAY

Jesus is our perfect example of what it means to suffer well, in the midst of tough times.

There is no parallel in human history to the suffering of Jesus. His sacrifice is what gives us life! However, we are called to suffer well... not that we are going to save others, but that possibly as we suffer well others may see Jesus at work through our lives.

Peter wants us to understand what Jesus has done for us, in order that we might live for Him.



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PRAYER REQUESTS
