



EXODUS

discussion guide

What to do right after the service to help “the Word dwell more richly,” within us (Colossians 3:16):

1. Instead of rushing off after the service or talking about the latest news, develop the habit of talking about the sermon with people after church. Start spiritual conversations by asking, “How did the Scripture challenge or speak to you today?” Or “what about God in the message encouraged you?”
2. Encourage someone by sharing things you learned about God from His Word during the sermon. Make note of how your thinking has changed. Don’t let biblical teaching be a one-time event that fades from memory as soon as it is over (James 1:22-25). Choose one or two particular applications to share

[Above from book *Nine Marks of a Healthy Church Member*]

For further Application, Meditation, and Conversation on today’s text:

Date: 1/21/2024 – “Unborn Children in God’s Law and Love” (Exodus 21:22-25)

1. Believe it or not, some people argue Exodus 21:22-23 actually justifies abortion. How would you answer that argument and what it says about the unborn? (Note the word “children” in ESV or “with child” in other translations)
2. How does Genesis 25:21-26 also shed light on the unborn in God’s Word, and how should that be significant to the sanctity of unborn life?
3. How does the gospel speak to these issues?
 - implications of the incarnation (person of God becoming a human person) in Luke 1:35-44, Matthew 1:18-25
 - compassion and care for mothers considering abortion, or consumed with guilt for an abortion in their past
4. How would you scripturally answer the situations of rape or incest?
5. How would you answer the “my body, my choice” argument?
6. How might you appeal to someone who doesn’t believe God’s Word? How can you show or share the love of Christ from this to someone in your life?