



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

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

Date: 6/25/2023 – “The Priesthood of Believers in a Holy God” (Exodus 19:6-17)

1. When Exodus 19:6 calls God's people "a kingdom of priests" what does that teach us about the role Israel's kingdom was to have for the nations? (If needed, see Genesis 12:3, Psalm 67)
2. When Revelation 1:5 says Jesus makes us priests and 1 Peter 2:9 calls believers in Jesus to be "a royal priesthood" what does that teach us about our role?
3. From the message, in what ways does Roman Catholicism distort what a priest is? What are ways evangelical Christians can have distorted ideas as well?
4. How does "the priesthood of all believers" relate to the ministry of all believers? What are some examples of priestly ministries we're all called to? (If needed see end of 1 Peter 2:9, 2:4, Romans 12:1, 15:16, Hebrews 13:15-16, James 5:16, Ephesians 5:2, 25-26)
5. When Exodus 19:10 called the people to be consecrated and to wash their clothes, how might that apply to us? (if needed, see Leviticus 11:44, Psalm 51:2, 7, 9, 1 John 1:7, 9, Hebrews 10:22-25)
6. How does the coming of the Lord in Exodus 19 remind you of the final coming of the Lord in scripture? Are you ready to meet Him then or in death?