



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: /23/2022 – “Who is the LORD?” (Exodus 5:1-6:6)

1. From the introduction, why did a passage like this resonate with slaves in American history or other oppressed peoples in history? What parallels do you see today and what practical encouragements do you see in God’s heart for those who suffer?

2. What modern parallels might help you think of what’s happening in 5:1-2 and why there is such defiance in response? Where do people defy and question the Lord today?

3. We may not have a slave-master like Pharaoh, but what are things that can master us or rule us today instead of God? If you’ve let something become your identity or idol (or are tempted to) confess that to God, and others if you need help.

4. In the 2nd half of chapter 5, what seems to discourage Israel and Moses most? How might we have similar questions and conflicts and what can we take away from this?

5. Moses is critical of God in the end of the chapter, and we may be critical of him, but is there anything to his credit or that should encourage us and our prayer to God?

6. In chapter 6, the Lord reaffirms His plan and promises and reveals more of Himself. What truths in v. 1-6 were most meaningful (for them or you)? In what sense is the name of the LORD (Yahweh) made known in a way earlier believers didn’t know God?