

HOME WITH GOD

CHAPTERS 5 & 6

Memory Verse:

- Week 1: Ephesians 1:3
- Week 2: 1 Corinthians 15:22 For just as in Adam all die, so also in Christ all will be made alive
- Week 3: Galatians 2:20 I have been crucified with Christ, and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The live I now live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

Chapter 5 Questions:

1. Christ never suffered a homeless heart, but He walked through a world groaning for redemption. Why is this such great hope for us? (p. 64)
2. How do believers share in Christ's victory over death? (p. 68)
3. What is Christ's "heavenly session" and how does it impact your life today? (p. 73)
4. How would you explain "the way home" to a curious neighbor?

Chapter 6 Questions:

1. How should the doctrine of union with Christ shape the way we encourage and minister to each other?
2. What is the fundamental problem of mankind's natural identity before God (p. 85)? Think about people who disagree with this. What is it they find disagreeable?
3. What does Worley mean by the "three dimensions of faith" (p. 89)?
4. What does it mean to be "justified"? (p. 91) How does our union with Christ relate to our justification?

Homework:

1. Read chapters 7 & 8
2. Reflect on the discussion questions (below)
3. Work on the memory verses

Chapter 7 Questions:

1. Is union with Christ focused exclusively on the individual? How does this doctrine connect believers to one another across differences? (p. 102)
2. What does the story of Philemon and Onesimus teach us about the new family formed by our union with Christ? (p. 109) How can a local church reflect (or fail to reflect) this shared union?
3. How does incorporation into Christ reframe membership, sacraments, and spiritual disciplines?
4. What is one step you can take to deepen your experience of community in the church?

Chapter 8 Questions:

1. How does union with Christ empower obedience rather than just demand it?
2. How does union with Christ relate to spiritual warfare? (p. 127)
3. How does union with Christ relate to the Great Commission? (p. 131)