

11-17-24 Facilitator “Gracious Self-Awareness”

Pray Together:

1. Worship the LORD for His total, infinite knowledge. Praise Him Father, Son and Holy Spirit, that He also made us in His image so that we would also know him, know the truth,. and live wisely.
2. How have you lived lacking self-awareness? Confess your pride and foolishness to Jesus, asking Him to forgive you and work by His Word and His Spirit to help you grow in wisdom and responsibility.
3. Give thanks to Jesus for his grace to bear the burden of Our guilt and devastation in sin. Thank Him for His truth (to address accurately our real status) and His grace (to give Himself for us so completely).
4. Who do you know that has based their lives upon vain idols, and so they’re enslaved to pride or fear? Pray for them, asking the Lord to help them to come to their senses and reality in terms of God's Kingdom.
5. Ask the Holy Spirit to work in your heart the wisdom of self-awareness. Pray for His fruit of joy, patience and goodness, especially in your growth in knowing God and yourself in Christ.

General Discussion Questions:

- What encouraged you from the sermon this morning?
- What illustrations or points resonated with you in your personal circumstances?
- What do you love more about Father, Son, and Holy Spirit from this passage?

Specific Discussion Questions:

- Who are you, in the broadest sense / scope?
- In our capacity to not know that we don’t know, how is that like a jail?
- How do you become conceited, and how is that destructive? How does this question compound the problem of the last question?
- Think through relationships: Who do I provoke to sin? Who do I envy? How are neither of those dispositions of love?
- How has Jesus worked to both humble us and secure us from all the ways our idols could possibly enslave us?