

03.16-25 Facilitator “Zephaniah: Seek and Hide” Tony Myers

Pray Together:

1. Worship the Lord that He is mighty to save and rejoices over you with gladness even while we run headlong into our sin. Praise Him, Father, Son and Holy Spirit for His unfailing love.
2. How have you half-heartedly sought the Lord and avoided the essential encouragement of His people? Confess to the Lord and ask Him to grant you humility and earnestness.
3. Give thanks to Jesus who bore our shame when we were shameless, who lived righteously while we were complacent in our self-righteousness, and who humbled Himself at the cross to make us renowned among the nations.
4. Who do you know that is complacent in their faith? Pray for them, asking God to awaken them out of their slumber to seek the Lord.
5. Ask for the Holy Spirit’s help to genuinely rest in Jesus’ finished work that saved you, to bask in the Father’s incredible joy and gladness over you, and to be quieted by the Spirit’s reminding you that you are radically loved by God.

Discussion Questions:

- Was it well with your soul walking into the Weekly Church Gathering? How was your heart, circumstances, relationships, etc.?
- Notice how the Lord nourished you and others in Church:
 - o What believers did you see being used by Jesus to serve others?
 - o How did the Gospel dwell richly in you through the singing and liturgy?
 - o In what way did the Spirit encourage or console you through the spiritual interaction with another brother or sister in Christ?
- Read the passage of the sermon together and discuss.

Specific Sermon Discussion Questions: Zephaniah 3:1-5, 8, 14-20

A. The Day of the Lord Is Near and Deserved

- What is there in your life that you’d love to hide from God?
- Why is it that we hide?
- How is the Day of the Lord hardwired into us? What do we do to try and put it off?

B. Seek the Lord – While He May Be Found

- What does it mean to honestly and humbly seek the Lord?
- Why must it be an honest and humble posture?

C. The Lord Who Hides Me

- If God hides me from the wrath I deserve, how are my relationships now different?
- How does God’s love quiet our shame? How does it rewrite our stories?