

Sermon Discussion Questions

February 11th, 2018

1. What in the sermon encouraged you, comforted you, challenged you, informed you?

2. Read Romans 12:1 carefully. How does this verse define worship and how does this affect all of life?

3. How does realizing all that we own belongs to the Lord affect our attitude in giving? See 1 Chronicles 29:11-14 where people offer to the Lord resources he gave to build the temple.

4. According to J.I. Packer what does it mean to meditate on God's Word and what benefits do we receive from this?

“How can we turn our knowledge about God into knowledge of God? The rule for doing this is simple but demanding. It is that we turn each truth that we learn about God into matter for meditation before God, leading to prayer and praise to God.

Meditation is the activity of calling to mind, and thinking over, and dwelling on, and applying to oneself, the various things that one knows about the works and ways and purposes and promises of God. It is an activity of holy thought, consciously performed in the presence of God, under the eye of God, by the help of God, as a means of communion with God.

Its purpose is to clear ones' mental and spiritual vision of God, and to let his truth make its full and proper impact on one's mind and heart. It is a matter of talking to oneself about God and oneself; it is, indeed, often a matter of arguing with oneself, reasoning oneself out of moods of doubt and unbelief into a clear apprehension of God's power and grace.

Its effect is ever to humble us, as we contemplate God's greatness and glory and our own littleness and sinfulness, and to encourage and reassure us—‘comfort’ us, in the old, strong, Bible sense of the word—as we contemplate the unsearchable riches of divine mercy displayed in the Lord Jesus Christ.”

J.I. Packer, *Knowing God*, pg. 23

5. In Numbers 7:89, the Scripture says that when Moses went into the tent of meeting he spoke with the Lord and communed with Him. In Christ, all of God's people can behold the glory of the Lord in worship without any veil of separation (2 Corinthians 3:18). How have you personally pursued communion with God? How might you go deeper in communion with the Lord in word, worship and prayer?

Week 6 Genesis Devotional Verses for communing with the Lord this week:

Psalm 119:1-8

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[Genesis 28:10–22](#)

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[Genesis 29](#)

Feb 14, 2018

[Genesis 30](#)

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[Genesis 31](#)

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