

Small Group Discussion 11/28/2021

Three Persuasive Testimonies sermon by Dan Norwood

Psalm 19

Getting Started

- Describe a time when you had an “aha!” moment after viewing or realizing or experiencing something in God’s wonderful creation. (For example, looking down on the clouds while flying at high altitude, looking up from a valley below a very high mountain, walking in the woods through freshly fallen snow.) What did this experience prompt you to think about God?

Static Questions

- **WHAT IS THE PASSAGE ABOUT?**
 - Note the key details (Who, What, When, Where, Why, etc.)
 - Pay attention to the main Facts of the passage.
- **WHAT DID YOU LEARN?**
 - What does the passage reveal about God? About people?
 - Is there a promise or a command or a warning?
 - What is the main truth of the passage?
 - What lessons do you see?
- **HOW WILL YOU APPLY IT?**
 - How does this passage relate to your life right now?
 - What change in your thinking or behavior is needed to align with the truths in this passage?
 - How should you respond based on what you learned?

Discussion

- Psalm 19:3 says, “There is no speech or language where their voice is not heard.” Does someone living in Alberta, Canada, have better access to this “voice” than someone living in the Ukraine? Can an 8-year-old child hear this voice? Might someone living in a high-rise apartment in a bustling city object because the trappings of his environment deprived him of hearing this voice?
- Which of the qualities that Dan called “objective” qualities of the Scriptures (in verses 7-9) stand out as more interesting to you?
- Dan mentioned the expression, “my Redeemer,” in verse 14, but did not refer to the expression, “my Rock.” How does this expression “fit” with the tone and content of the entire Psalm? What, if anything, would be changed if the expression were removed?
- Why do you think the psalmist refers to the internal life (the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart) rather than to external things such as relationships with family members, involvement in community concerns, generosity toward the poor, and industriousness in earning a living?