

Sermon Discussion Questions for Small Groups

Week of November 26

Sermon Titled: "Around the King's Table"

Main points: Breaking of bread is a means of grace to the fellowship of believers and a sign and seal of God's covenantal love to us through Christ.

Open in Prayer. Read Acts 2:42-47.

Discussion Questions

1. The preeminent picture of redemption in the Old Testament is the exodus of Israel from Egypt, memorialized in the Passover meal. They participated annually in this meal to remember who—or whose—they were. It's not dry history to be learned but dynamic history to be lived.
 - a. "This day shall be for you a memorial day, and you shall keep it as a feast to the LORD; throughout your generations, as a statute forever, you shall keep it as a feast (Exodus 12:14)." Discuss what it means to feast on the Lord and His promises.
 - b. How do you think God intended the Passover meal to spiritually nourish the Israelites and shape their identity? How does Jesus do that for us (Luke 22:17-20, 1 Cor. 11:24-25)?
2. Why was the early church devoted to breaking bread together? What spiritual and relational benefits did it provide?

Application Questions

1. Christians today regularly hear that the gospel is believed once for salvation but is reapplied daily. How then should the Lord's Supper affect our daily living?
2. What are your mealtime patterns? What do it look like to use mealtimes as a pause for thanksgiving and to remember God's gracious provision? How could meals cultivate intimacy with others?
3. Who is someone you can intentionally invite to eat with you this week? Consider an acquaintance or unlikely person you know who may experience the love of the Lord through your hospitality.

Prayer Focus: Pray that God would help you to slow down and remember Him in your daily rhythms of eating and fellowship. Pray that you would feast on Him and daily live in the grace of the gospel.