

Discussion Guide

Summer Playlist: wk2 “Treasure”

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Big Idea

Our eternal treasures in Christ exceed all temporary treasures on earth.



Icebreaker

What songs, or playlist (bands), do you enjoy this time of year that scream SUMMER to you?



Discussion Questions

1. Summarize together the David and Bathsheba account including some of the lengths to which David was willing to go in order to get the temporary treasure that he wanted. Read 2 Samuel 12:1-13 and discuss it overall. Specifically, what key statement does David make in verse 13, and what makes it a key statement? How could this key statement possibly be applied to your life?
2. Turning to David’s understanding of eternal treasure, read Psalm 103:8-14. Remembering that it is believed that David wrote this Psalm around the timeframe of the Bathsheba ordeal, what are some different encouragements realized in this passage as one considers their own sinful choices? Which specific encouragement found here is personally most encouraging to you?
3. As we unpacked Psalm 103 in the sermon, we highlighted the treasure of *compassionate grace*. Re-read Psalm 103:8. What situation from your past or present can you share where you are thankful for something like God’s patience with you (slowness to anger), or His compassion toward you, or His abounding love for you?
4. Another treasure unpacked from Psalm 103 in the sermon was *forgiveness*. Re-read Psalm 103:9-10. We also see the idea of *mercy* (one not getting what they deserve, but something better) here. Going back to question 2 above, how does what David said in 2 Samuel 12:13 important when it comes to receiving this specific eternal treasure? Is there something you just need to go in your prayer closet (privately) regarding and admit (confess) to God that has been sin against Him? Allow the group a minute to do this quietly/privately in prayer to God.
5. The next treasure uncovered in Psalm 103 was *distance*. Re-read Psalm 103:11-12. Upon reading it and thinking about the sermon, in what way can we see distance as being a treasure? In short, once we confess and repent, receiving forgiveness from God, *He sees our future potential, not our past mistakes*. In other words, He moves on. How well do you receive and live in that truth, honestly? And if you don’t do that well what impact does it have on you, those around you, and the Kingdom of God?
6. Re-read Psalm 103:14. From this passage we are reminded of the eternal treasure of *perfection*. Who was & is perfect so that we do not have to be? How should we live in light of knowing this gift from God? Read 2 Corinthians 4:7-9. Read Romans 6:2. How may these passages impact how we process and respond to this sermon?



Concluding Question

Share thoughts with one another on the song, “Treasure” that was highlighted by this sermon.



Application

1. What do you think the Holy Spirit may be saying to you through this sermon and our discussion?
2. What is something God wants you to do now?
3. Is there a way we can help each other apply what God is showing us?



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