

Sermon Discussion Guide

Fall Kickoff Weekend
Reframing Your Future
September 12, 2021



Big Idea

God has plans for this season that far exceed anything we can dream.



Icebreaker

What is your favorite thing about fall?



Discussion Questions

1. Would you consider yourself a dreamer? Do you have any big dreams for this season? What is something new that is happening in your life?
2. Read **Isaiah 43:18**. We are called to leave the past behind and embrace the new thing God wants to do in our lives. Is it possible to move on to the future while still holding on to the past? How good are you at letting go?
3. Read **Isaiah 43:19**. God does some of his best work in the midst of brokenness. Do you agree? Where have you seen this already in your life? How is it encouraging for the future?
4. Read **Ephesians 3:20**. God's plans are even greater than anything we can imagine. When is a time you saw God do something greater than what you had planned?
5. We have a responsibility in God's plans. Pastor Charles Finney said, "Revival is nothing else than a new beginning of obedience to God." What is an area of your life you need to submit in obedience to God so He can work through you?



Concluding Questions

This week we were encouraged to get involved with Watermark's ministries. There are many opportunities to heal and grow as well as serve, depending on what you are called to this season. What ministries have you been involved with at the church so far? Which ministry area do you feel like you may need to get plugged into now? (There will still be ministry tables to visit at our services on September 19th as well.)



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?



Prayer

Possible prayer topics for this week:

- God's plans for this new season
- Obedience to God
- Watermark's new East Aurora campus
- Afghan refugees coming to Buffalo