

DATE: April 21, 2024

TITLE: Coram Deo

SCRIPTURE: Matthew 6:1-4

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FAITH COMMUNITY CHURCH SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE

OPENING PRAYER

ICE BREAKER: Have you ever done something to impress someone else? What did you do? How did it go?

THINK BACK: Referring back to this week's sermon... What is the BIG IDEA of the Scripture AS IT WAS TAUGHT THIS WEEK? Was there anything that left you with questions?

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Read Matthew 6:1-4

1. What is the manner that Jesus instructs us to give? Why?
2. Why do you think Jesus uses giving as his first case study?
3. How does Matthew 5:16 relate to Matthew 6:1? Read and discuss.
4. When Jesus says that we are to give
5. What rewards do people live for? Do you think they are conscious of it?
6. What is the end result of those rewards?
7. What rewards does Jesus promise those who live for Him?
8. How does Jesus' example help to motivate our actions and attitudes?
9. In what way is Jesus more than an example?

APPLICATION

Think about what most caught your attention in the text or discussion. Why is God catching your attention with this at this point in your life? What does God want you to know or do? What's one thing from this text that you could say to an unbeliever about who God is?

PRAYER

Ask people for specific prayer requests. Pray for needs and for applications of the text. Ask for volunteers who would like to pray for those people and requests.

SHEPHERDING

Check the roster and see who is not there. Does the group know why someone is not there? Are there needs that can be met by the group? Specific prayer requests? Ask for someone to reach out and say, "We missed you."

MONTHLY MEMORY VERSE:

Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. John 14:6

REMINDERS

Small Group Checklist

- Ask about ideas to serve in some way together. Serve 1x every six weeks or so.
- Encourage people to invite friends or neighbors to your group!! One way to reach 'out' together is to welcome people 'in.'
- Discuss childcare, if needed.
- Talk about any upcoming group meals or activities.

Check the bulletin, monthly newsletter and events page on the website for ways that you can get plugged in, as well as events here at FCC. Here are a couple of those things:

- Faith Community Church invites Ladies ages 5+ to join us on Saturday, May 11th from 10:00am-noon for a tea party! This is a great outreach event! Formal invites are available at the Connection Point to hand out to neighbors and friends! Register online!
- Join us in the Discipleship Rooms at FCC on Saturday, April 27th for a night of Prayer and Worship.
- Covenant Members are invited to join us on Sunday, May 5th for our quarterly meeting! Bring a dish to share if you are able, meet our newest covenant members, catch up on all the ways God has blessed us here at FCC, and enjoy this time of fellowship! We hope to see you there!