## CTK Community Group Sermon Discussion Questions & Announcements Week of 6/4/23

DISCUSSION: Psalm 6

(Discuss the question cluster below - as much or as little as works for your group) \*Feel free to break off into smaller groups if it helps you share more personally\*

We're continuing a sermon series called, "The Life of the Church." In it we'll focus on what it means to be the church through Henri Nouwen's picture of the Christian life as being like the Lord's Supper or 'Communion': Chosen, Broken, Blessed, Given. We'll spend two weeks on each concept (Chosen, Broken, Blessed, Given) of that picture to help us know what it means to be the church and what the church is called to do in our world.

- I. This week, we started looking at the concept of <u>brokenness</u> for the life of the church. Our passage (Psalm 6) helped us start to understand: 1) The reality of brokenness for God's people; 2) The accessibility brokenness brings; and 3) the personal importance of sharing our brokenness. Through that we heard that being God's chosen people includes brokenness (it means we don't have to be perfect); that our brokenness lets others see a place for themselves in the church and that sharing our brokenness also lets us be more at home by allowing ourselves to be imperfect, broken people. Let's discuss how these things impact our lives.
  - A. What connected with you from the sermon or from the passage?
  - B. The sermon invited us to share our brokenness with others (like David does in Ps. 6).
    - 1. What feels most challenging/threatening about sharing some of your pain, mistakes, suffering, etc. with others? What are you concerned might happen if you do?
    - 2. Can you think of a time when someone shared their brokenness with you (as a friend, or even in a book you read, etc.)? Did their sharing help you feel more courage to share your own brokenness?
    - 3. How might you rely on God to help you process and start sharing some of your brokenness in a constructive way?
  - C. How does it impact the way you think about the brokenness in your life to hear that brokenness is an expected part of the Christian life?
    - 1. What's a word you would use describe a church where it really felt like it was okay not to be perfect; to be broken?
    - 2. What's a way you could help CTK become more of a place where it is okay to be broken? How would you need God's help for that?

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Upcoming Events:
  - Men's Breakfast :: Saturday, June 10th, 8:30a :: Fellowship Hall
     See details at <a href="mailto:ctkcambridge.org/men">ctkcambridge.org/men</a>
  - Discovering CTK :: Saturday, June 10th, 10:30a :: Fellowship Hall
     Newcomers class. Lunch provided. Register at <a href="mailto:ctkcambridge.org/discovering-ctk">ctkcambridge.org/discovering-ctk</a>