

CTK Community Group Sermon Discussion Questions & Announcements

Week of 7/17/22

DISCUSSION: [2 Timothy 2:1-13](#)

(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\*

*This week's sermon focused on helping us know a few things. 1) Jesus Christ as the source of grace, and as the descendant of David. Through seeing Jesus as the fulfillment of God's promises to David (2 Sam 7), we see how God keeps his promises even to sinful people and that he uses sinful people (David's broken family line) to bring about redemption. 2) It helped us know that God expects our weakness and intends to meet our needs. 3) It helped us understand that we're strengthened by grace for the suffering that pursuing a legacy of grace (see last week's sermon) will bring about. Let's talk about how these things change our understanding of strength, weakness and sharing the gospel.*

- A. *What stood out to you from the passage or the sermon?*
- B. *The sermon talked about how we should understand grace more like a checking account than a reserve savings account. Meaning, grace should be something we're constantly drawing on (checking account) rather than something we rarely, if ever, use (reserve account).*
  1. *Do you tend to use grace like a reserve account (I shouldn't have to use it - for emergencies only!)?*
  2. *What keeps you from feeling like you can take grace more often?*
  3. *Share some words that come to mind when you think about what life would be like if it was okay to make more mistakes and God's grace was sufficient for you. (ex: freeing, unburdened, safe, etc.)*
- C. *We also heard that God delights to bring grace to us (and to others) through our mess and brokenness — not to bring grace by avoiding it or hiding it.*
  1. *Do you tend to feel like you have to share a 'neat,' 'tidy' gospel full of polished truths and facts? What if God wants us to share a messy gospel — where we share grace with others as those need it and receive it all the time?*
  2. *How would sharing a 'messy' gospel (where our sins are on display as the very place where God is showing up for us) be challenging to you? How would it be freeing to you?*
  3. *Take a minute to write down 1 or 2 areas where you know you need God's grace and create a reminder to start praying (and talking with a friend) about how God might use that need of grace to help you introduce someone else to the gospel.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Save the Date: On Sunday, July 24th, Pastor Travis will be officially installed as the senior pastor at Christ the King during the worship service. We'll have a guest preacher and members of the presbytery present at the service, with a light lunch to follow. Please be sure to join us!