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10 years of mc3



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Discussion Gu'ide

"I AM"
09/19/21

Because God is I AM, *We Can Know Him Personally*

The Repeats (required)

They are the same, but *WE* change, so please discuss these with your group

- [Share the announcements (on FB thread) with your group]
- ***For this Pr'me cycle, we're going to combine prayer requests with God Moments.*** God Moments are when we celebrate God doing big things in our lives...and we want to pray for God to do big things in our lives as well! When God answers these prayers, they become God moments! Go around your group and share your prayer needs and God Moments. [Leaders: pray for these as best fits your Pr'me]
- Is there anything that you want to share that has stood out to you so far from the current Point series?

The Review (optional)

Use this section only if you want to review for those who were not in the Point

- Have someone explain the Point in their own words.*
- What object lesson or illustration was used to communicate the Point this week? How did this apply to the Point?*
- Have someone summarize (but not necessarily read) the main Bible passage/story from the Point: **Exodus 3:13-15**.*
- How did this Bible passage teach the Point?*

**someone who was in the Point may need to explain this*

The Reflection (required)

Discuss these to go deeper, *and more personal*, into applying the Point

- Have you ever known a famous or important person on a first-name basis?
- Let's review *The Name* series so far. What do these names mean and why do they matter to us (i.e., what was the Point for that week)?:
 - Week 1: Heb. *Elohim* & Grk. *Theos*—**Read Genesis 1:1** [God]
 - In what ways have you given up on God's ability?*
 - Week 2: Heb. *Adonai* & Grk. *Kyrios*—**Read Psalm 8:1** [Lord]
 - In what areas do you struggle to submit to the Master?*
 - Week 3: Heb. *YaHWeH*—**Read Exodus 3:13-15** [I AM]
 - How is "LORD" in your Bible/app different from "Lord"?*
- The longer that you've gone to church, the easier it is to become *too* familiar with how amazing it is that God is *personal*! Let's refresh:
 - Looking at the Exodus passage above, what was the underlying question that Moses was asking in v. 13? ["Which God are you?"*]
 - **Read Exodus 6:2-8**. Why is the name *YaHWeH* so personal?
 - **Read John 8:53-59**. Why were the Jews trying to stone Jesus here?
- A personal God is very different from almost every other world religion! Let's look at what that means for us. Read and discuss:
 - ***The Father is With Us ...so we're not alone***
 - **Read Genesis 3:18; Exodus 40:34-38; 2 Chronicles 5:13b-14**
 - How do these passages show that God is *with* His Creation?
 - ***The Son is Among Us ...so we're understood***
 - **Read John 1:14; John 1:45-49; Hebrews 1:1-3; Hebrews 4:15**
 - What do these verses on Jesus coming as a human, mean for us?
 - ***The Holy Spirit is In Us ...so we're given help***
 - **Read Matt. 28:18-20; 1 Cor. 6:19-20; John 14:16-17**
 - As Christ-followers, why is this so amazing[!]?*
- Which of the three statements above about our personal God is the most encouraging or meaningful to you, and why?

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