



From “In the Beginning” to Amen - The Slide Towards the Casual

Icebreaker: What are your plans for Easter?

Read Together: Isaiah 6:3 (ESV), Leviticus 10:3 (ESV), Proverbs 9:10 (KJV)

Discuss:

God is Holy, Not Ordinary

- What was God speaking to you as you listened to Tim?
- How is your relationship with God bringing sanctification to your life?

Read Together: Galatians 6:7-10 (NIV), Romans 11:22 (ESV)

Discuss:

God is Loving — But Deeply Worthy of Reverence

- How have you seen casualness lead to Spiritual Drift?
- What types of practical drift have you seen when spiritual drift is present?
- What have you witnessed that showed the kindness and severity of God?
- How can we walk in more reverence?
- Does it bother you that God can hold both kindness and severity in tension?

Read Together: Joshua 7:10-12 (NIV), 1 Samuel 4 (ESV)

Discuss:

The Balance

- What are some ways that you have seen Irreverence toward God lead to serious consequences?
- What was Joshua’s major mistake in approaching Ai?
- What did the people of Israel allow the Ark to become?
- How did God respond to their use of the Ark?

Read Together: Joshua 7:1 (NIV)

Discuss:

The Lord’s Portion - Achan’s Sin

- What do you think led Achan to sin?
- What are the ways you give God His portion?

Read Together: Joshua 9:14-15 (NIV), James 1:5 (NLT)

Discuss:

The Lord's Counsel - The Gibeonites

- What wisdom did the leaders of Israel use when they met the Gibeonites?
- How did the leaders assume they knew what to do?
- Talk about a time that you didn't get the Lord's counsel.

Read Together: Exodus 20:7 (NLT),

Discuss:

The Lord's Name – Commandment

- What are some common misuses of God's name?

The Lord's Word - Every Word is God-breathed and Useful

- What are some ways that we misuse the Lord's word?
- What is God saying and doing through His word in you?

The Lord's Church - His Body - His Representation

- What are some ways we misuse the church?

Pray:

- Ask the Lord to give you an awe for Him.
- Ask the Lord for His Perspective.
- Ask the Lord for His wisdom.
- Ask God for discernment to help you respect His Name, His Word, and His Church.