

Relate Group Questions

May 12, 2019

Ice Breaker Question:

What is the funniest or most embarrassing consequence of your sleeping through an alarm?

Relate Group Value: Sensitivity – Committing to sensitivity to the needs, feelings, backgrounds and current situations of other group members helps build relationships in the group

Sermon Series: Return to God

Sermon Title: It is Not Too Late!

Sermon Text: Joel 2:1-17

Other Relevant Scriptures: Exodus 34:6; Jonah 4:2; Isaiah 1:11-20; 2 Peter 3:1-13.

1. What is the day of the Lord? How does Joel describe it in vv. 2-11?
2. Why do you think Joel is dwelling on this theme of the coming of the “Day of the Lord”?
3. How do you feel about the many warnings that we find in the Bible, in both the Old Testament and New Testament? Are you fearful? Do the warnings encourage you to be faithful to the Lord?
4. The Lord calls upon his people to return to him (v. 12). Why are fasting, weeping, and mourning important in returning to the Lord with all of one’s heart?
5. What does it mean to “rend your hearts and not your garments?”
6. What does Isaiah 1:11-20 teach us about true repentance?
7. What attributes or characteristics does Joel ascribe to God in v. 13? When you consider these truths about God, how does it make you feel? What is your response?
8. What is being encouraged in vv. 15-17? Who is to attend this gathering? What is to be done at this gathering?
9. How are you encouraged or challenged by Joel’s message in 2:1-17?

Weekly Check-up:

How is your daily Bible reading going?

How has your prayer life been this past week?

Are you struggling in your obedience to God?

In what ways are you serving in our church?

Are you consistently giving to support the mission of our church?

Have you shared Jesus with anyone this past week?

Have you invited anyone to worship or small group?
What do you need prayer and encouragement for today?