



Practicing the Spiritual Discipline of Remembrance

Multi-Ethnic Ministry Series: Video 2 - Dialogue 2

Group Facilitator: Take a moment to outline what the discussion will be, and open your time together with prayer.

Scripture Reading: Deuteronomy 4:6-9

Opening Exercise: View Video 2 – “Valuing Our Heritage”

Give participants a moment of silence after viewing the video to reflect on what phrase or idea left the greatest impression on them. Have participants write down the phrase or idea so they don't forget!

Ask, “What spoke to you and why?”

Opening Questions: How have life experiences and people influenced your faith journey?

What are some of the practices of the church that help us remember God's saving acts?

Scripture Focus: Psalm 78:1-8

Why is it important to remember all that God has done?

What are those things that are important for a Jesus follower to not forget about him or herself?

What are the dangers of forgetting how Jesus has worked in our lives?

How might a person's ethnic history or socio-economic status influence his or her understanding of God's story?

How does knowing a person's story create a bridge for the gospel?

How might our understanding that a person's story is incomplete impact the way we relate to them?

How do we intentionally pass on the ways of the Lord and the great things He has done?

Group Exercise: Learn from one another by dividing the participants into groups of two. Have one person talk for 1-2 minutes on a given subject (e.g. growing up years, interests and hobbies, what makes a family strong). The other person is simply to listen and at the end of the time repeat back as much of the story he or she can remember, without commentary or questions. Now reverse and do the same.

Note: There is a difference between listening to learn and listening to respond.

Group Facilitator: Have participants close their time together with prayer.
