

Day One

Read: Joshua 6
 Discuss:
 Learn: 2 Timothy 3:16
 Praise: *An attribute of God*
 Pray: *Missionaries*

Day Two

Read: Mark 5
 Discuss:
 Learn: 2 Timothy 3:16
 Praise: *God's provision*
 Pray: *Salvation of others*

Day Three

Read: Psalm 22
 Discuss:
 Learn: 2 Timothy 3:16
 Praise: *Salvation*
 Pray: *Pastors and church ministries*

Day Four

Read: Hebrews 7
 Discuss:
 Learn: 2 Timothy 3:16
 Praise: *God's creation*
 Pray: *Government and military*

Day Five

Read: Hebrews 8
 Discuss:
 Learn: 2 Timothy 3:16
 Praise:
 Pray: *Friends and family*

 Discussion and Bible study is as often as simple looking for three things:

- 1)What shines out from this passage? What impacts the most or draws the most attention?
- 2)What questions do you have about this passage? What would you ask the author or the Lord in order to understand?

Introduction:

I. In the Old Testament, the Sabbath was a

-The structure of the command:

-The background of the command:

-The reason for the command:

-The seriousness of the command:

II. In the New Testament, the Sabbath was
 _____ and _____

-The Pharisees _____ it:

-Jesus _____ it:

-Paul _____ it:

III. God built the Sabbath principle into the order of _____, therefore it should still be _____

-Principle 1:

-Principle 2:

-Principle 3:

IV. In Christ, we find ultimate Sabbath

Acts 2:42 Community Group Homework

For the week of November 14, 2010

Getting Started

1. The first thing I do after the Sunday morning service ends is....

Into the Bible

2. According to Exodus 31:16-17, the Sabbath was the sign of the covenant between God and Israel. The following passages illustrate how serious violating the Sabbath was. Write down observations from the following passages.

Ezekiel 20:12-14

Ezekiel 23:36-38

Nehemiah 13:15-22

By the time of Jesus, the Jews had swung to the opposite extreme by worshipping the Sabbath. This became a major point of contention between the Jews and Jesus. A couple such instances are in Mark 2:23-3:6. Here are some questions to think about as you study through this passage:

3. Was Jesus violating the Sabbath?
4. How had the religious leaders corrupted the Sabbath?
5. What else stands out to you?

Application

6. In your own words, how would you explain that the commandment of Sabbath was a gift?

7. Why is it important that a theology of work is built into a commandment of rest?
8. How does resting one day show that we trust God?
9. Share one or two ideas that you could do to make one day more restful. What's getting in the way? What is missing?
10. What keeps us from seeing both sides of the coin—rest *and* worship—in Sabbath? What does it look like to both rest and remember to honor God beyond the morning service?
11. Read Psalm 92, a psalm for Sabbath.

Prayer Requests

