

God's Good Plan

Sunday, October 23, 2016

Psa 8; Heb 2:5-10

When I Look at the Sky

When I look at the night sky (Psa 8:3 NLT)

Psalm 8

The 'Feel' of a Passage

- Wonder, Awe, Humility

A Celebration

- Human Dignity – Creation Mandate in Gen 1

We Have Not Yet Seen

But we have not yet seen all things put under their authority

(Heb 2:8 NLT)

Not

- Heb 2:5-10 – Our Purpose not achieved
- Theological Ideas – Sin, Fall

Yet

- The world to come – Original Purpose the Goal
- Timeline – Story of Creation to Completion

But We Do See Jesus

But we do see Jesus (Heb 2:9 NIV)

Jesus

- Psalm 8 in light of Death and Resurrection
- See Jesus – Human Purpose fulfilled
- Jesus entered our situation – the real Human
- Jesus tasted death – our Representative
- Jesus Raised and Exalted – Human Destiny
- Jesus bringing to glory – Pioneer, Forerunner

Small Group Guide

Kicking off your Time Together

Ice Breaker

Do you enjoy being “out in nature?” If you do, what is it you like about it?

Opening Prayer

Have one or two open in prayer asking God to be present and to direct your time.

What Did you Bring?

Did you bring anything to share to encourage the group? (consider 1 Cor 14:26 as the pattern for this part of the meeting)

Read Passage

Read this passage: Psalm 8

Discuss a few of these questions:

How would you describe the “feel” of this Psalm?

What things about God and about people are celebrated?

Now read Heb 2:5-10

This author reads our Psalm with the story of Jesus in mind. What insights does he share?

What does all this mean for us?

Pray for Each Other

In light of all that has been shared, pray for each other.

You may want to share specific requests.