

DEEP DIVE

WEEK OF June 3 – June 9 / GROUP TIME GUIDE

This guide is given to aide in the facilitation of leading your small group. It is only an aide for you to **experience Christ together.**

Prayer: Begin your time in group together by inviting God to be with you. Ask Him to change you as you seek Him and study His Word together. Ask him to use everyone in the group to encourage, challenge, and teach one another.

Bible Study:

1. This week we dove into our new series, “**DEEP DIVE: A Study of Psalm 145.**” We as a church are going verse by verse through Psalm 145 and even memorizing it together! This weekend, Pastor Vance focused this first message on Psalm 145:1-2. He opened by sharing this spiritual reality: “*God is bigger than our ability to comprehend and yet He has invited us into a soul-satisfying pursuit of eternally discovering the wonder of who He is.*”
 - a. **How does this reality affect our view of God?**
 - b. **How should it affect our relationship with Him?**
2. Pastor Vance used these verses to address two questions, the first being, “*What do these verses tell us about God?*” He used this time to discuss lies that we often believe about God. Such as God being a ruthless judge who looks to kill our joy, or God exists to make us happy like a genie in a bottle.
 - a. **What other lies do people fall into believing about God? Which ones have you formerly believed?**
 - b. **Why is it important we know that these are lies and not correct depictions of God?**
3. After discussing several misidentifications of God, Pastor Vance answered the first question with: God is **God**, God is **King**, and God is **Knowable**. Discuss these three titles and try to share what this means for us as believers.
 - a. **What does it mean that God is God?**
 - b. **What does it mean that God is King?**
 - c. **What does it mean that God is Knowable?**
4. In the latter half of the sermon, Pastor Vance spent his remaining time answering, “*How should we respond to who He is?*” His answer was threefold: we should **honor** God above all else, we should **submit** to God in all things, and we should **praise** God at all times.
 - a. **What are practical ways in which we can honor, submit, and praise God daily?**
 - b. **Which of these actions is a struggle area for you? How can you as a small group encourage and help each other in this area?**

DON'T FORGET! We are memorizing the entire 145th Psalm. Spend this week memorizing verses 1 & 2 as a small group as well as in your God Time daily. We'll see how you do next Sunday! 😊