

COMMUNITY GROUP HOMEWORK

The week of Sunday, April 11th

***Last week's sermon & this homework can be found at gbcmt.org/sermons or on the GBC App*

Community Groups have two options this week.

The first goes into details of the Luke 2:36-40 sermon. The second expands on Pastor Bryan's opening remark about men and women.

Option 1

1. The culture of the world at the time of Christ gave privilege and power to the rich over the poor, men over women, and free men over slaves. Jews thought they were better than Gentiles and Gentiles thought they were better than Jews. Are there similar issues today?
2. God's plan for His Kingdom is summarized in Galatians 3:28. What makes it revolutionary? Is it possible?
3. What made Anna qualified to be a witness for Jesus?
4. Wouldn't it be better for a rich, prominent, handsome priest to introduce Jesus at the temple? Why?
5. What is the connection between what Anna saw and her father's name, 'Penuel'?
6. What will it be like when you see God face to face?
7. Anna "spoke of Him to all those who looked for redemption in Jerusalem." What interests would this have sparked?
8. Did Jesus know everything from the beginning or did he learn and grow as a human?

Option 2

1. Why is Christianity often viewed as being misogynist and in favor of male chauvinism?
2. In what areas are men and women equal, and in what areas are there differences?
3. In what ways were Simeon and Anna examples of tasks or roles that were particular to their stage in life?
4. God has given each of us tasks or roles to use for the furtherance of His kingdom here on earth. What influence does/should: gender, nationality, income status, marital status, age, spiritual gifts have on the tasks or roles each of have to fulfill:
 - a. In the family?
 - b. In the church?
 - c. In the business world?
5. What were some of the ways that Paul went against the culture of His day in reference to the position of women?
6. What are some things we can do to achieve a Biblical balance in the Church community regarding the Biblical roles of Men and Women?

Seeing the Face of God

Luke 2:36-40

Series #11

The following are questions designed to facilitate greater learning and deeper understanding of spiritual truths presented in the sermon: "**Seeing the Face of God.**" All questions are answered as the sermon is presented. We hope it will be a catalyst to spiritual growth in your life.

1. What is one of the most inaccurate ideas floating around in society about Christianity?
2. The point Paul makes in Galatians 3:28 is that there are no what?
3. Was Paul a male chauvinist?
4. Women are elevated and given a lofty status in what?
5. The ministry of Jesus and His apostles was supported financially by whom?
6. Who was Chuza (besides the husband of Joanna)?
7. From Acts 9, who was a woman who was full of good works and charitable deeds?
8. Who was the first person that came to faith in Paul's ministry in Europe?
9. From Acts 18, we learn that what woman worked in ministry partnership with her husband and greatly assisted Paul?
10. How many women did Paul greet in Romans 16?
11. Luke gave special attention to the birth stories of whom?
12. Simeon told Mary that her little baby would be a what in Israel?
13. What is the first thing we learn about Anna?

14. What did Anna share with people when they came to the temple?
15. What would a prophet or prophetess simply pass along?
16. Anna was from which tribe?
17. Is the phrase, "the 10 lost tribes of Israel" an accurate phrase?
18. The information about the 10 tribes of Northern Israel is critical because of what false teaching?
19. What New Testament author mentions the 12 tribes of Israel?
20. Jacob changed the name of the place where he wrestled the angel of the Lord to what name?
21. To see God face to face means to see what?
22. What psalms speak of God having a face?
23. How old was Anna when she saw the baby Messiah? How long had she been a widow?
24. For Anna, a fast was a way to express what?
25. Anna knew that what Simeon had said could only be a description of whom?
26. Anna was looking into whose face?
27. Anna began to spread the news to everyone she knew who was looking for what?
28. Repeatedly, God says He is going to bring what to Jerusalem?
29. The book of Isaiah repeatedly says that what city will be exalted as preeminent in the world?
30. Verse 38 is talking about the time when Israel will do what?
31. Joseph and Mary were what kind of Jews?
32. What several events took place before the family returned to Nazareth?
33. According to verse 40, what did Jesus become?
34. Jesus increased in physical strength and stature. He also increased in what?
35. How old was Jesus when He confounded the teachers in the temple?
36. Other than when Jesus visited the temple at the age of 12, how many years of silence is there in the story of Jesus?
37. What mystery concerning Jesus is one we will never fully understand?
38. Are you captivated by this mystery?