



Seeking God – A Heart for the Nations Pastor Dave Patterson 01.21.2024

USING THIS SERMON DISCUSSION GUIDE

We have provided all the Scriptures references in the sermon and some discussion questions for you to use to discuss the weekend message.

This Sermon Discussion Guide is only a tool to aid you in meeting the needs of your group. For most groups, there are too many questions to answer in one session together. Give priority to the needs and pace of your group members.

While the questions are important, remember your group's goal is to create an atmosphere that will foster true friendships. Use the discussion questions as you see fit but emphasize the relationships.

[Jeremiah 29:13]

You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart.

[Jeremiah 33:3]

'Call to me and I will answer you and tell you great and unsearchable things you do not know.'

Unsearchable things (mighty things) / bāṣar = Inaccessible mysteries and secrets.

[Ezekiel 36: 24 & 26]

For I will gather you up from all the nations and bring you home again to your land. And I will give you a new heart, and I will put a new spirit in you. I will take out your stony, stubborn heart and give you a tender, responsive heart.

[Proverbs 23:26]

"O my son, give me your heart."

[Acts 13:22]

'I have found David son of Jesse, a man after my own heart. He will do everything I want him to do.'

[Acts 13:36, AMP]

For David, after he had served (and accomplished) the purpose of God in his own generation, he died."

When we have God's Heart:

1. We see with an eternal perspective

2. We will see people the way God sees them

3. We will see the nations

[Acts 2:5-6]

Now there were staying in Jerusalem God-fearing Jews from every nation under heaven...

[Psalm 2:8]

Only ask, and I will give you the nations as your inheritance, the ends of the earth as your possession.

[Revelation 7:9-10]

And I looked, and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and before the Lamb.... And they were shouting with a great roar, "Salvation comes from our God who sits on the throne and from the Lamb!"

[Galatians 3:29]

If you belong to Christ, then you are the true children of Abraham. You are his heirs, and God's promise to Abraham belongs to you.

[Genesis 12:2-3, AMP]

The Lord Said to Abraham... "I will make you into a great nation, and I will bless you; I will make your name great, and you will be a blessing. And in you all the families, the nations, and the people of the earth will be blessed."

When we have God's Heart:

4. We will see that no offering is unreasonable

Key Points:

When we have God's Heart:

1. We see with an eternal perspective
2. We will see people the way God sees them
3. We will see the nations
4. We will see that no offering is unreasonable

Application for the Week:

One of our core values as a church is **Go** → We will live for the bigger picture, taking action locally and globally. This week, pray and ask God how He would have you take your next steps. Find more info on Global Reach by clicking [HERE](#).

Discussion Questions

1. Where are some interesting places or spaces that you have seen or experienced?
2. Who is one of the greatest examples of seeking God in the Bible? How did he get that heart for God? [See Acts 13:22, 36]
3. How does our hearts change when we seek God? Briefly share how you have experienced this in your life.
4. Pastor Dave gave us 4 results ([Key Points](#)) of what happens when we have God's heart. How have you seen this come about in your life or in others you look up to?
5. Why is no offering to the Lord unreasonable? What motivated Abraham to obedience?
6. What does it mean to see with an eternal perspective? How can we develop this perspective.
7. If you have ever visited a nation for a mission trip, describe how you were before and after the experience. What perspective was gained? If you have not been able to participate in missions yet, what obstacles do you need to get past?
8. How is this a new season for Global Reach for The Father's House? What dreams do you have for the expanded influence of TFH in the nations, and how can you get involved?
9. Pastor Dave asked, "What altar is before you in this time?" What is God speaking to you and what steps do you need to take in obedience to what He has spoken?