



Life Group Discussion Questions

Sermon: The Mountain of God

Date: 9-17-17

- This week's passage reminded us that so often grace meets us in the desert. God moves us in a way that externally is further from and worse than the Promised Land. Have you ever experienced this?
- What will be the result if Christians don't know to expect this?
- We were also reminded that God's pattern is always Grace – Obedience – Blessing. What happens if we put obedience before grace? (Leader's Note: help the group flesh out the implications of *salvation by works*.) What happens if put blessing before obedience? (Leader's Note: help the group think through in what ways we try to make our obedience contingent upon whether God blesses.)
- An idol is anything that promises everything while demanding nothing, but ends up taking everything while giving nothing in return. Use that framework to identify modern idols in our own lives.
- The grace of God only has real meaning if God is also a God of consuming holiness. How often do you think of God this way? Why do you think people, even Christians, don't focus more consistently on the terror of encountering God?
- Jesus' blood cries out a better word—"Grace!" "Forgive!"—than the blood of Abel did. What do you think, practically, it looks like when someone is "radiant" from encountering Jesus?
- Spend some time in prayer for one another to know God in His fullness and to live in the boldness that comes from having His holiness fill your life.