

PRAYER AND PRESENCE

THE PURSUIT OF GLORY

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DISCUSSION GUIDE

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Discussion Guide

MAKING ROOM FOR GOD BY ASKING?

CONNECTING:

45 MINUTES

(THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS ARE INTENDED TO PROVIDE YOUR GROUP WITH A WAY OF CONNECTING WITH ONE ANOTHER SO THAT YOU MIGHT PARTNER IN THE WORK GOD IS DOING IN YOUR LIVES.)

- IN WHAT WAYS DID GOD MOVE IN YOUR LIFE THIS WEEK? IN WHAT WAYS DID YOU RESPOND TO HIM?
- WHAT WAS YOUR BIGGEST CHALLENGE THIS WEEK? IN WHAT WAYS, IF ANY, DID YOU INVITE GOD INTO THIS CHALLENGE?
- HOW HONEST HAVE YOU BEEN WITH US? (GRACIOUSLY THANK GROUP MEMBERS FOR THEIR HONESTY IF THEY STATE THEY HAVE HELD BACK.)

GETTING STARTED:

10 MINUTES

- DO YOU FIND IT EASY OR DIFFICULT TO ASK FOR GOD TO PROVIDE THINGS FOR YOU? COULD YOU EXPLAIN? DO YOU SEE ANY TREND IN THOSE THINGS FOR WHICH YOU ASK OF HIM? WHY MIGHT THIS BE THE CASE?

DIVING INTO THE TEXT:

60 MINUTES

(THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS ARE INTENDED TO PROVIDE YOUR GROUP WITH A SIMPLE ROAD MAP THROUGH THE TEXT. FEEL FREE TO USE THESE QUESTIONS IN WAYS THAT BEST FIT YOUR GROUP AND THE DYNAMICS OF YOUR OWN MEETING.)

- USING THE NOTES, TALK ABOUT GOD'S WILL AND HOW IT RELATES TO PRAYERS OF PETITION.
- READ MATTHEW 7.7-11 ALOUD. PAUSE. READ THE TEXT ONCE MORE, SEEKING TO HEAR IT AS AN INVITATION.
- JESUS ENCOURAGES HIS FOLLOWERS TO ASK GOD TO PROVIDE THAT WHICH THEY NEED. UPON WHAT UNDERSTANDING OF GOD DOES JESUS BASE HIS

ENCOURAGEMENT?

- DO YOU FEEL THAT MOST PEOPLE VIEW AND RELATE TO GOD IN THIS WAY? COULD YOU ELABORATE?
- IN WHAT WAYS, IF ANY, MIGHT OUR VIEW OF GOD IMPACT OUR ASKING OF GOD?
- WHAT MIGHT IT TAKE TO BEGIN TO VIEW AND RELATE TO GOD IN THE WAY JESUS DESCRIBES HIM?
- READ JAMES 4.1-3 ALOUD. PAUSE. READ THE TEXT ONCE MORE.
- WHAT PROBLEMS WITH PRAYERS OF ASKING DOES JAMES IDENTIFY?
- DO YOU FEEL THESE ARE STILL PROBLEMS TODAY? COULD YOU EXPLAIN?
- IN WHAT WAYS, IF ANY, MIGHT THESE PROBLEMS ARISE FROM ONE'S UNDERSTANDING OF GOD?
- IN WHAT WAYS MIGHT YOUR OWN VIEW OF GOD BE INFLUENCING THE WAY YOU ASK OF GOD?
- TAKE SOME TIME TO SPEAK OF THAT WHICH YOU NEED, WHICH GOD HAS PROMISED TO PROVIDE. PREPARE TO ASK HIM FOR THESE THINGS, BUT BEFORE YOU ASK, TAKE TIME TO WORSHIP. REHEARSE THE STORY OF GOD AS CREATOR AND COMPASSIONATE PROVIDER. TAKE TIME TO PONDER AND RESPOND TO THIS STORY. THEN, OFFER YOUR REQUESTS TO GOD.

CONTEXT AND BACKGROUND

Asking in God's Will

WHEN HE TAUGHT HIS DISCIPLES TO PRAY, JESUS CLEARLY ENCOURAGED HIS DISCIPLES TO INCORPORATE PRAYERS OF PETITION (ASKING) INTO THEIR PRAYERS (MATTHEW 6.9-13). JESUS NOTED THAT SUCH PRAYERS WERE WORTHWHILE BECAUSE GOD WAS MORE THAN WILLING TO GIVE GOOD THINGS FREELY TO THOSE WHO ASKED OF HIM (MATTHEW 7.7-11).

THIS HAS LED SOME PEOPLE TO BELIEVE THAT GOD WILL GIVE THEM ANYTHING FOR WHICH THEY ASK. HOWEVER, EXPERIENCE SMACKS AGAINST THIS BELIEF, LEADING SOME TO ARGUE THAT GOD DID NOT PROVIDE THAT WHICH WAS REQUESTED BECAUSE THE PERSON DID NOT ASK IN FAITH. THIS APPROACH TO PRAYERS OF PETITION OFTEN CREATES AN EXPERIENCE FOR THE ONE PRAYING WHERE THEY ARE TEMPTED EITHER TO DEVELOP AN ATTITUDE OF ENTITLEMENT BEFORE GOD OR TO VIEW THEMSELVES AS POSSESSING A WORTHLESS AND WEAK FAITH. NEITHER EXPERIENCE IS GOOD FOR THE SPIRITUAL WELL-BEING OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD.

JESUS DOES STATE THAT GOD IS GOOD AND ALWAYS PROVIDES GOOD ANSWERS TO THOSE WHO PURSUE THE MEETING OF THEIR NEEDS BY HIM IN PRAYER. HOWEVER, JESUS ALSO DEMONSTRATED IN HIS OWN PRAYER LIFE THAT PRAYERS OF PETITION ARE TO BE OFFERED AND WILL BE ANSWERED AFFIRMATIVELY INsofar AS THEY ARE WITHIN GOD'S WILL (LUKE 22.41-44). JAMES ALLUDES TO THIS TRUTH WHEN HE NOTES THAT PEOPLE IN HIS CONGREGATION ARE NOT RECEIVING THAT FOR WHICH THEY HAVE ASKED BECAUSE THEY ARE ASKING FOR THINGS IN PURSUIT OF THEIR OWN AGENDAS (JAMES 4.1-3), AND JOHN DIRECTLY STATES THAT GOD ANSWERS PRAYERS OF PETITION WHICH ARE OFFERED ACCORDING TO HIS WILL (1 JOHN 5.14). HOWEVER, THIS RAISES AN IMPORTANT QUESTION FOR THE ONE ENGAGED IN PRAYER: WHAT IS GOD'S WILL?

MANY BELIEVERS AGONIZE GREATLY OVER GOD'S WILL. HOWEVER, THIS AGONIZING IS, IN MANY WAYS, BROUGHT ABOUT BY A MISUNDERSTANDING OF GOD'S WILL, A MISUNDERSTANDING ROOTED IN AN OVER-SPECIFICATION OF GOD'S WILL. AT THE HIGHEST LEVEL, GOD DESIRES TO RESTORE CREATION TO ITS RIGHTFUL PLACE UNDER HIS REIGN AND CONTROL THROUGH CHRIST (COLOSSIANS 1.15-20). GOD DREAMS OF MOVING TO BRING ABOUT THE COMPLETENESS OF HIS KINGDOM IN HEAVEN AND ON EARTH (MATTHEW 6.10). THIS IS THE DIRECTION GOD IS HEADED AND HE WILL NOT BE THWARTED ON THE MICRO (PERSONAL) AND MACRO (CREATION) LEVEL. SOMETIMES THIS IDEA THAT GOD WILL NOT OR CANNOT BE THWARTED IN THE FULFILLMENT OF HIS PLANS IS CALLED PREDESTINATION. PREDESTINATION IS NOTHING OTHER THAN GOD DECIDING BEFOREHAND WHAT HE PLANS TO ACCOMPLISH (EPHESIANS 1.11-12). HOWEVER, GOD HAS INVITED PEOPLE INTO THIS PROCESS OF LABORING FOR THE RESTORATION OF CREATION WHICH IMPLIES THAT THE PATH TO THE FULFILLMENT OF GOD'S DESIRE CAN, AT TIMES,

BE A COLLABORATIVE ENDEAVOR (2 CORINTHIANS 6.1). THIS MEANS THAT GOD IS OPEN TO ACTING UPON AN OPTION AND ITS ASSOCIATED REQUESTS WHICH MIGHT DIFFER FROM HIS ORIGINAL PLAN SO LONG AS IT MOVES TO THE FULFILLMENT OF HIS DESIRE TO RESTORE CREATION. BOTH MOSES AND ABRAHAM EXPERIENCED THIS COLLABORATIVE APPROACH WITH GOD AND FOUND GOD ANSWERED THEIR PRAYERS OF PETITION (GENESIS 18.16-33; EXODUS 33).

THEREFORE, IN OUR PRAYING, WE NEED NOT AGONIZE OVER WHETHER WE KNOW GOD'S SPECIFIC WILL (EVERYDAY DETAILS) SO LONG AS WE ARE SEEKING THE GROWTH OF HIS KINGDOM DREAM AND NOT OUR OWN AGENDA. IT IS IN OUR PURSUIT OF GOD'S KINGDOM DREAM THAT WE KNOW AND ARE DOING GOD'S WILL. WE MAY ASK FOR ANYTHING WHICH HELPS US IN THE PURSUIT OF GOD'S DREAM KNOWING THAT GOD WILL FREELY GIVE US THAT FOR WHICH WE HAVE ASKED, BECAUSE IN THE PURSUIT OF GOD'S KINGDOM DREAM, GOD IS LESS INTERESTED IN SCRIPTING THE DETAILS AND MORE INTERESTED IN COLLABORATING WITH HIS PEOPLE. THIS DOES NOT MEAN THAT THERE ARE IMPORTANT MOMENTS WHERE GOD CHOOSES TO DENY OUR REQUESTS EVEN AS WE PURSUE HIS KINGDOM DREAM IN GOOD FAITH. JESUS EXPERIENCED THIS DENIAL (LUKE 22.41-44) AS DID PAUL ON MORE THAN ONE OCCASION (2 CORINTHIANS 12.1-10; ACTS 16.6-7). IN THESE INSTANCES, IT APPEARS THAT GOD HAS REASONS FOR PROCEEDING IN A SPECIFIC DIRECTION WHICH TRANSCEND THE UNDERSTANDING OF THE ONE PRAYING. HOWEVER, THESE APPEAR TO BE THE EXCEPTION RATHER THAN THE RULE.

The Text

MATTHEW 7.7-11: *Just Ask*

IN MATTHEW 7, JESUS RETURNS TO THE TOPIC OF PRAYER AS HE PREPARES TO CONCLUDE HIS SERMON. IN SOME WAYS, JESUS NEVER LEFT THE TOPIC OF PRAYER, FOR HIS DISCUSSION ABOUT TREASURE, WORRY, AND JUDGEMENT ARE WORSHIP INVITATIONS; THAT IS, THESE DISCUSSIONS ARE INVITATIONS FOR PEOPLE TO ALIGN THEMSELVES WITH GOD'S STORY WHICH IS WORSHIP AND ALL WORSHIP IS PRAYER. ONE MIGHT THEREFORE ASSUME THAT JESUS ENVISIONS HIS STATEMENTS BEGINNING IN MATTHEW 7.7 TO BE DIRECTED TO A PERSON WHO HAS PROPERLY ALIGNED HIMSELF WITH GOD'S STORY. JESUS ENCOURAGES PEOPLE TO ASK, KNOCK, AND SEEK WITH THE ASSURANCE THAT THEY WILL BE GIVEN OR DISCOVER THAT WHICH THEY HAVE PURSUED. THE LANGUAGE OF ASKING IS PRAYER LANGUAGE, AND, AS IT IS THE FIRST IN THE SERIES OF STATEMENTS, THIS CONCEPT

DOMINATES THE TEXT IN VIEW. JESUS INTENDS HIS AUDIENCE TO UNDERSTAND HIS TEACHING TO BE ABOUT PRAYER. SOME HAVE ATTEMPTED TO VIEW THESE THREE EXHORTATIONS AS DIFFERENT KINDS OF PRAYER OR EVEN AS INTENSIFIED APPROACHES TO PRAYER. THERE MAY BE SOME VERACITY TO THESE APPROACHES, PARTICULARLY THE FIRST. PRAYERS OF ASKING CAN TAKE OTHER NONVERBAL FORMS SUCH AS A SPIRITUAL OR PHYSICAL JOURNEY OF DISCOVERY. HOWEVER, ONE CANNOT PRESS JESUS' WORDS TOO FAR BECAUSE HE IS USING THE HEBREW POETIC TECHNIQUE OF PARALLELISM WHICH IMPLIES THAT HE IS EMPHASIZING AN INVITATION TO HIS AUDIENCE TO ASK RATHER THAN EXPLAINING VARIOUS WAYS OF ASKING.

JESUS ASSURES HIS AUDIENCE THAT THOSE WHO ASK OF GOD WILL RECEIVE GOOD ANSWERS. THIS IS TRUE BECAUSE GOD IS BETTER THAN PEOPLE. PEOPLE, EVEN IN THEIR SINFULNESS, DO NOT DENY THEIR CHILDREN GOOD THINGS, PROVIDING THEM WITH THEIR BASIC NEEDS. AS ONE WHO IS BETTER THAN PEOPLE, GOD WILL ALSO PROVIDE THE NEEDS OF HIS CHILDREN IN GOOD WAYS WHEN THEY ASK.

THE KEY POINT JESUS SEEMS TO BE EMPHASIZING IS THAT OF ASKING. GOD'S GOODNESS HAS BEEN EMPHASIZED REPEATEDLY THROUGHOUT THE SERMON ON THE MOUNT, PARTICULARLY IN JESUS' DISCUSSION OF PRAYER AND WORSHIP (MATTHEW 6.8-34). JESUS ENCOURAGES HIS AUDIENCE TO APPROACH THIS GOOD GOD WITH AN ATTITUDE OF RELIANCE BY ASKING HIM TO PROVIDE THEIR NEEDS. IN MANY WAYS, THIS IS NOTHING OTHER THAN A WORSHIP RESPONSE, A RESPONSE TO JESUS' REHEARSAL OF THE STORY OF THE GOODNESS OF GOD'S CHARACTER. THUS, PRAYERS OF PETITION ARE UNDERGIRDDED WITH PRAYERS OF WORSHIP BECAUSE IT IS WORSHIP WHICH PROVIDES THE CONTEXT AND CALL FOR APPROACHING GOD WITH ONE'S PETITIONS.

JAMES 4.1-3: WHEN WE DON'T GET WHAT WE WANT

JAMES WROTE HIS LETTER TO A CHURCH EMBROILED IN CONFLICT. IT APPEARS THAT THE WEALTHY IN THE CONGREGATION WERE ABUSING THE POOR, PERHAPS BY TAKING THEM TO COURT AND ROBBING THEM OF THEIR LANDS. JAMES ADDRESSES THE SOURCE OF THIS DILEMMA, NOTING THAT IT IS ROOTED IN THE PURSUIT OF THE DESIRES WHICH LIE IN THE HEART OF THE RICH. IN FRAMING THE ISSUE IN THIS MANNER, JAMES HAS IDENTIFIED THE DEEP ISSUE AS A WORSHIP ISSUE. THE RICH IN THE CONGREGATION HAVE NOT ALIGNED THEMSELVES WITH GOD'S STORY. THEY HAVE NOT MADE ROOM FOR HIM IN THEIR HEART AND ARE THEREFORE PURSUING THEIR OWN AGENDAS.

AS IS OFTEN THE CASE, THE DESIRES WHICH LAY IN THE HEART OF THE RICH WERE NOT ALL BAD OR MISGUIDED. THEY WERE GOD-GIVEN. WHAT WAS WRONG WAS THE WAY THEY WERE PURSUING THE FULFILLMENT OF THESE DESIRES. BECAUSE THEY HAD NOT ALIGNED THEMSELVES WITH GOD'S STORY, THEY WERE LEFT TO FULFILL THESE DESIRES ON THEIR OWN WHICH LED THEM TO ACTS OF AGGRESSION AND ABUSE. HERE JAMES NOTES THAT THE MAINTAINING OF UNITY IN A CONGREGATION RESTS UPON PEOPLE SEEKING WHAT THEY NEED FROM GOD. TO DO OTHERWISE LEADS PEOPLE TO GRASP AND SEIZE WHAT THEY NEED FROM OTHERS BY FORCE.

JAMES ALSO NOTES THAT THOSE IN THE CONGREGATION WHO HAVE ASKED GOD TO PROVIDE THEIR DESIRES HAVE NOT RECEIVED BECAUSE THEY ARE ASKING TO SATISFY THEIR OWN PLEASURES. AGAIN, JAMES POINTS TO A WORSHIP ISSUE WHICH IS IMPACTING THEIR ABILITY TO ENGAGE GOD THROUGH PETITION. THE WEALTHY IN THIS CONGREGATION HAVE NOT WORSHIPED BY ALIGNING THEMSELVES WITH GOD'S KINGDOM STORY BUT ARE SEEKING THEIR OWN KINGDOM. THEREFORE, WHEN THEY ASK OF GOD THEY ARE ASKING GOD TO SERVE THEIR KINGDOM PURPOSES, SOMETHING HE REFUSES TO DO.

IN ADDRESSING THESE CONGREGATIONAL ISSUES, JAMES TOUCHES UPON PRAYERS OF PETITION. PRAYERS OF PETITION INVOLVE ASKING FOR GOD TO PROVIDE THAT WHICH IS REQUESTED. THESE PRAYERS MAKE ROOM FOR THE LIFE OF GOD, THE VERY EXPERIENCE OF UNITY, BECAUSE THE NEED FOR FORCING ONE'S WAY UPON OTHERS IS REMOVED. HOWEVER, THESE PRAYERS OF PETITION, THEMSELVES LEADING TO THE EXPERIENCE OF THE LIFE OF GOD, ARE ROOTED IN PRAYERS OF WORSHIP. PRAYERS OF PETITION CAN ONLY BE OFFERED IN FAITH WHEN THE PETITIONER HAS FIRST WORSHIPED, REHEARSING GOD'S STORY FOR THE PURPOSE OF ALIGNING HIMSELF WITH THAT STORY WHICH THEN GUIDES ONE'S PETITIONS.

REAL LIFE WITH BLAKE:

JESUS SAID THAT GOD WOULD SUPPLY WHAT I NEEDED. I ONLY NEED TO ASK. SO, WHY DO I NOT ASK? I FIND IT RARE THAT I APPROACH GOD AND SAY, "WOULD YOU PLEASE GIVE ME _____." WHY IS THAT? I THINK SOME OF IT IS ROOTED IN MY EXPERIENCE OF PRIVILEGE AS A MIDDLE-CLASS AMERICAN. I HAVE FEW PHYSICAL NEEDS WHICH I CANNOT PROVIDE, BUT THIS DOES NOT MEAN I HAVE NO NEEDS. I HAVE NEEDS WHICH ARE DEEPER THAN FOOD ON MY TABLE, NEEDS AS A PERSON. I NEED WISDOM IN HOW TO PASTOR. JUST TODAY I MET WITH TWO PASTORS TO BEGIN A CONVERSATION ABOUT RACE RELATIONS IN THE CHURCH AND WAS CONFRONTED WITH A GREATER AWARENESS OF HOW BIG AND SERIOUS THE PROBLEM REALLY IS. I HAVE NO IDEA HOW TO SHEPHERD PEOPLE GRAPPLING WITH THIS ISSUE, BUT IT IS SOMETHING I MUST DO. I NEED STRENGTH TO PURSUE GOD. I HAVE FAITH AND I LOVE GOD, BUT I GET DISTRACTED. . . A LOT. I NEED GRACE TO KEEP TURNING AND RETURNING TO GOD. I NEED STRENGTH TO GET UP IN THE MORNING. MOST MORNINGS MY JOINTS BARELY MOVE AFTER A NIGHT OF INACTIVITY. I MAY NOT NEED FOOD ON MY TABLE, BUT I NEED OTHER THINGS, THINGS I CANNOT PROVIDE. JESUS SAID TO ASK FOR THESE THINGS, BUT RARELY DO I ASK. WHY IS THAT?

I HAVE BEEN THINKING ABOUT MY LACK OF ASKING, AND I THINK IT IS DEEPLY CONNECTED WITH MY VIEW OF GOD. SOMEWHERE DEEP INSIDE, THERE IS THIS IDEA THAT GOD WILL NOT PROVIDE. I KNOW. IT SOUNDS SILLY, BUT THAT IDEA IS DOWN IN THERE SOMEWHERE. IT IS ALMOST LIKE THE IMAGE OF GOD I HAVE IS THAT OF ONE WHO IS WAITING TO SEE WHAT I CAN DO ON MY OWN. THIS ISN'T GOD, BUT IT IS AN IMAGE OF GOD THAT SOMEHOW GOT LODGED IN ME, PROBABLY FROM CULTURE. SO LONG AS GOD IS WAITING ON ME TO ACT, I CAN'T ASK. SO, IF I WANT TO ASK, I HAVE TO DEAL WITH THE IMAGE INSIDE ME. THIS REQUIRES ME TO WORSHIP. IF I WANT TO ASK GOD FOR MY NEEDS, I MUST FIRST WORSHIP HIM. I MUST FIRST ACKNOWLEDGE THAT HE IS GOOD AND LOVING AND KIND. I MUST CONFESS THAT HE MEETS NEEDS AND HAS ALWAYS MET NEEDS. I MUST CHOOSE TO ALIGN WITH THIS STORY OF GOD, TO REALIGN MY HEART WHICH IS POINTED TO A STORY THAT SAYS GOD WANTS TO SEE WHAT I'VE GOT. AS I WORSHIP AND RESPOND, I CAN BEGIN TO ASK NOT BECAUSE I HAVE TO BUT BECAUSE OF WHO GOD IS. HE IS A GOD WHO WANTS US TO ASK.

REAL LIFE WITH YOU:

WE HAVE A GOD WHO SAYS WE CAN ASK HIM TO PROVIDE OUR NEEDS. WE HAVE A GOD WHO WANTS US TO ASK HIM TO PROVIDE OUR NEEDS. HOW OFTEN DO WE ASK? WHEN WE REALLY FIND OURSELVES IN A PICKLE, WE PROBABLY ASK AND ASK, BUT WHAT ABOUT WHEN WE ARE NOT IN A PICKLE? DO WE ASK GOD TO PROVIDE THE EVERYDAY THINGS OF LIFE. WHAT ABOUT THINGS THAT GO BEYOND OUR PHYSICAL NEEDS? DO WE ASK FOR THOSE? IF YOU ARE LIKE ME, YOU PROBABLY STRUGGLE TO ASK. SOME OF OUR STRUGGLE STEMS FROM OUR AMERICAN NARRATIVE WHICH EMPHASIZES INDEPENDENCE AND SELF-RELIANCE. SOME OF THIS IS ROOTED IN OUR WORKING-IMAGE OF GOD. MANY TIMES WE HAVE A WORKING-IMAGE OF GOD THAT IS REFLECTED IN THE STATEMENT, "GOD HELPS THOSE WHO HELP THEMSELVES." THIS IS NOT A BIBLICAL STATEMENT. IT IS A CULTURAL REFLECTION OF GOD, A REFLECTION THAT SAYS GOD WANTS TO SEE WHAT WE'VE GOT BEFORE HE IS WILLING TO JUMP IN THE MIX. IS THIS REALLY WHO GOD IS? NO, BUT THIS IS OUR WORKING-IMAGE, AND UNTIL WE ADDRESS THIS IMAGE WE WILL BE VERY POOR "ASKERS." HOW DO WE ADDRESS THIS IMAGE OF GOD, CLEARING THE WAY TO ASK OF GOD? WE DO THIS IN WORSHIP. IN WORSHIP, WE REHEARSE GOD'S TRUE STORY AND MOVE TO RESPOND BY ALIGNING OUR LIVES WITH HIS STORY. HIS STORY IS THAT HE IS GOOD AND THAT HE WANTS TO MEET OUR NEEDS BECAUSE HE KNOWS WE HAVE VERY LITTLE TO OFFER IF ANYTHING AT ALL. THIS WEEK CONSIDER PAUSING THROUGHOUT THE DAY TO ASK GOD FOR WHAT YOU NEED IN THE COMING HOURS OR MOMENTS. THIS COULD BE ANYTHING FROM A BETTER ATTITUDE TO PHYSICAL STRENGTH TO FREEDOM FROM SICKNESS. HOWEVER, RATHER THAN BEGINNING WITH ASKING, BEGIN WITH WORSHIP. TAKE A FEW MOMENTS AND REFLECT ON WHO GOD IS. HOW HAS GOD ACTED? WHAT HAS HE DONE, NOT JUST IN YOUR LIFE BUT IN THE LIVES OF THE MANY PEOPLE OF GOD OVER THE MILLENNIA. PAUSE AND ACKNOWLEDGE THIS IS GOD'S TRUE CHARACTER AND SAY "YES" TO LIVING UNDER THE FAITHFUL CARE OF THIS GOD. THEN, MAKE YOUR REQUESTS.



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