

Growth Group Questions

Forgotten God Part 5: Works Through His People

1. Read 1 Corinthians 12:1-3. According to these verses, why can you declare, "Jesus is Lord"?
 - a. Since your coming to faith in Jesus is an act of the Holy Spirit, how can these verses help you be more patient with those who haven't grown up in a Christian environment or who are currently being led astray by the influences of this world?

2. Read 1 Corinthians 12:4-7. How does the concept of different spiritual gifts, services, and workings reflect the wonderful diversity AND unity within the body of Christ?
 - a. What does it mean that the different manifestations of the Spirit have been given for "the common good" AND can you utilize your spiritual gifts for the common good if you're living in isolation? Explain.

3. Read 1 Corinthians 12:8-11. How are spiritual gifts distinct from God-given, natural talents or abilities (compare with Romans 12:6-8)?
 - a. The Holy Spirit's primary role is to bring glory to Jesus (John 16:13-14). Pray together that the Holy Spirit would pour out His spiritual gifts on you and our congregation "just as he determines" not so that we get the glory, but so that people would see our good deeds and praise our God in Heaven (1 Peter 2:12).



Car Conversations

Keep the conversation with your kids going using these questions based on the Faith Kids' lesson.

(The following questions are based on 1 Kings 18)

1. What does it mean to pray?
2. How do you think it showed courage when Elijah prayed for God to show His power? How did God answer Elijah's prayer?
3. God might answer prayers differently from what we expect. What will give you courage to keep praying if that happens? (Think about Jesus' prayer in the Garden of Gethsemane)
4. God answers all our prayers, but how long do we have to wait for His answers?
5. What do you need to pray about this week? Pray together!