

Small Group Guide: Remembering God's Faithfulness

Key Takeaways:

- 1. How we remember matters because it shapes the stories we tell about our lives and helps us fight to find perspective.
- 2. Recalling the story of God's faithfulness in our lives roots our hearts and minds in truth.
- 3. God is after our heart, not just outward actions or routines.
- 4. Our foundation matters the rhythms of our day should flow from a faithful and steadfast heart in pursuit of our Savior.
- 5. The stories we tell about our lives should point to God's power, protection, and faithful provision.

Discussion Questions:

- 1. The sermon began with a personal story about reconnecting with old friends. How have you seen God's faithfulness in your own life through relationships or circumstances?
- 2. Asaph emphasizes the importance of passing down stories of God's faithfulness to future generations. How can we effectively do this in our families and communities today?
- 3. The Israelites often forgot God's faithfulness despite witnessing miracles. How do you see this tendency in your own life? What helps you remember God's past faithfulness during difficult times?
- 4. The sermon asks, "Do I allow my circumstances and emotions to impede my recognition of God's faithfulness in my life?" How would you answer this question for yourself?
- 5. Discuss the difference between outward religious actions and having a heart that is truly steadfast toward God. How can we cultivate genuine heart change?
- 6. How do the stories you tell about your life reflect (or not reflect) God's faithfulness? What might need to change in your perspective or storytelling?

7. The sermon mentions being "prepared to make a defense" for the hope within us (1 Peter 3:15). How can we be more intentional about recognizing and articulating God's specific faithfulness in our lives?

Practical Applications:

- 1. This week, keep a "faithfulness journal." Each day, write down at least one way you've seen God's faithfulness, no matter how small.
- 2. Practice telling a story from your life that highlights God's faithfulness to someone else (family member, friend, or group member).
- 3. Identify an area where you struggle to trust God's faithfulness. Commit to memorizing a Bible verse about God's faithfulness to meditate on when doubt creeps in.
- 4. As a group, brainstorm ways to intentionally pass down stories of God's faithfulness to the next generation in your church or community.
- 5. Reflect on your daily routines. Are there ways you can adjust them to be more rooted in pursuing your relationship with God rather than just "checking boxes"?

Closing Prayer:

Thank God for His unwavering faithfulness. Ask for His help in remembering His goodness, allowing it to shape our perspectives, and sharing these truths with others.