

Acts 6 “Disaster Averted!” April 11, 2021

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(2 Tim. 2:2)

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2 Corinthians 3:18 (NLT)

So all of us ... see and reflect the glory of the Lord. And the Lord—who is the Spirit—makes us more and more like Him [Jesus] as we are changed into His glorious image.

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[#4] By the way, have I ever shared with you that we are all Ministers ?

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[#6] Stephen went from being a “table server” to a “powerful teacher and preacher of Jesus” because he was first faithful in the “Little Things”!

[#7] Steven’s face glowed with the wisdom, love and presence of Jesus!

- 8) Read the following passage of Isaiah's response to seeing God's glory. Write down any questions or comments that come to mind.

**Isaiah 6:5-8** - "[5] So I said: "Woe is me, for I am undone! Because I am a man of unclean lips, And I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; For my eyes have seen the King, The LORD of hosts." [6] Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a live coal which he had taken with the tongs from the altar. [7] And he touched my mouth with it, and said: "Behold, this has touched your lips; Your iniquity is taken away, And your sin purged." [8] Also I heard the voice of the Lord, saying: "Whom shall I send, And who will go for Us?" Then I said, "Here am I! Send me.""

What characteristics do you think God found desirable in Isaiah?

In what ways do you think God wants you to be more like Isaiah?

### TAKING IT HOME

- 9) Looking back at this week's teaching and homework, what is most important for you to remember and why?

### PRAYER REQUESTS

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## Life Group Homework For the week of April 11, 2021

### WELCOME TO LIFE GROUPS!

*This week we kick off our Spring Life Group Quarter! Your first meeting is designed to give you time to get acquainted, connect with each other. Meetings are 1.5 hours long consisting of discussion, prayer, and fellowship.*

*To prepare for your first meeting, take some time to focus on the questions below and be prepared to share your answers with the group. Have a great meeting as you build friendships and grow closer to the Lord!*

### GETTING TO KNOW YOU

- 1) This week we saw how some believers were neglected because they had more Greek instead of Hebrew culture. Looking back at your life, have you ever been looked down on because of a non-biblical issue? (Clothing/hair/tattoos/etc)
  
- 2) As you think about the next eight weeks, what is one thing you hope to get out of your Life Group experience this quarter?
  
- 3) Looking back at your notes, what stood out to you from this week's message? (Favorite point? Questions? etc..)

### REVIEW

## DIGGING DEEPER

- 4) This week we saw Stephen, filled with the Spirit, faithfully serving tables before God used him to perform miracles and boldly preach the gospel. How do the following passages encourage you to be faithful in the “little things”?

**Luke 16:10** - *"He who is faithful in what is least is faithful also in much; and he who is unjust in what is least is unjust also in much."*

**Colossians 3:23-24** - *"[23] And whatever you do, do it heartily, as to the Lord and not to men, [24] knowing that from the Lord you will receive the reward of the inheritance; for you serve the Lord Christ."*

**Ephesians 6:5-7** - *"[5] Bondservants, be obedient to those who are your masters according to the flesh, with fear and trembling, in sincerity of heart, as to Christ; [6] not with eyeservice, as men-pleasers, but as bondservants of Christ, doing the will of God from the heart, [7] with goodwill doing service, as to the Lord, and not to men,"*

- 5) What area(s) in your life are you doing well at being faithful in the little things? (Work, Friendship, Marriage, Parenting, Spiritually, etc)

What area(s) could use some work?

- 6) We have heard again (and again, and again...) that we are all ministers. Though we're not all called to serve in the same role, we are all called to serve! Try to think of at least five different ways we can be ministers for Jesus (other than teaching a bible study or leading worship!).

- 7) Read the following passage as Paul encourages Timothy to keep the main thing the main thing.

**2 Timothy 2:4-6** - *"[4] No one engaged in warfare entangles himself with the affairs of this life, that he may please him who enlisted him as a soldier. [5] And also if anyone competes in athletics, he is not crowned unless he competes according to the rules. [6] The hardworking farmer must be first to partake of the crops."*

The soldier mustn't be distracted with the affairs of this life. What are some of the things that might entangle you as you pursue knowing and serving Jesus?

The athlete must compete by the rules. What things might tempt you to take a shortcut or ignore the rules when it comes to “running your race” for Jesus?

The farmer has to be patient in order to be rewarded with his share of the crops. What things might cause you to become impatient and lose focus on God's calling or commands in your life?