

Sunday, February 17, 2019 - "The Rock Is Not Rocked" - Norflette Shumake

Key Passages: Psalm 62:1-12, Ephesians 6:13-14, Ephesians 1:20-22, 2:6

- Feel free to read the passage(s) out loud as a group
- Allow the group to share freely about what stood out to them from the passage or from Sunday's message

Main Ideas

- In the early church (Acts) God was doing extraordinary things but the church also face opposition
- With every movement of God there is a counter-movement
 - Sometimes we get distracted by the opposition
 - BUT..."The Rock is Not Rocked"
- Psalm 62
 - I shall not be greatly shaken (David expected some sway and some opposition)
 - David understood opposition
 - he had been outmatched, outnumbered, betrayed, abandoned and had people trying to kill him
 - But he knew that his deliverance came from God alone (the source of his strength/salvation)
- "Stand on the Rock and you will not be shaken"
- We belong to God and are seated with Christ in the heavenly places
 - The enemy is trying to bring us down to low places
 - We can move forward in fear or in the steadfast love that the Lord has for us
- Ephesians 6:13-14
 - We are called to stand firm
 - To discover the truth (not just the facts)
 - The truth is that God is Good and he is working it out for our good
 - God is fighting for us and God is on our side
- Ephesians 1:20-22, 2:6
 - If we're seated with Him in heavenly places then we are above all authority, power and dominion too
 - We need to learn to keep our eyes on Jesus (Psalm 16:8)
 - Who do we see? What do we say?
 - Sometimes we just need to open our mouths (Matthew 16: Peter saying who Jesus was)
- **SWAY** = to move back and forth **S = Seeing W = What's A = Available in Y = You**
- **SWAG** = to strut, parade, stride, walk with confidence **S = Seeing W = What's A = Available in G = Gpd**
- God is not rocked BUT he is moved
 - To compassion for us
 - The cross (he cares for and loves us)
 - He WILL fight for us

Questions (Feel free to use all of these, some of these, or none of these)

1. When was a a time that you were distracted by the opposition? What was it keeping you from? What did you learn?
2. What does it mean to you personally to be seated with Christ in heavenly places?
3. What is God calling you to say about him or to him in the midst of trial and hardship?
4. How is God directing you to keep your eyes on Him? What does that look like in your life?
5. What would your life look like if you walked more confidently in God and how much he cares for you and fights for you?
6. What are some counter-movements in your life as God is doing things in you and through you?
7. What is God inviting you into as a result of this passage or sermon?

****15 Minutes with God Reading Plan-**

Mon: 1 Kings 11 Tues: 1 Kings 12 Wed: 1 Kings 13 Thurs: 1 Kings 14 Fri: 1 Kings 15

Songs from the weekend: [Alive - *Hillsong Y&F*] - [10,000 Reasons - *Matt Redman*] - [New Wine - *Hillsong Worship*] - [God You Are Faithful - *Grace Original*]