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01.11.26 - DISCUSSION QUESTIONS



KEY TAKEAWAY

When we are rooted in God's story, we can live with hope, because we trust the Author, not our current chapter of life.



ACTION STEP

Pray this prayer once a day this week:
"God, replant my roots in Your story,
and shape my life around whatever
You want me to do."

KNOWING THE STORY.

- The sermon reminded us that the Bible is one connected story, not disconnected pieces. How has that shaped (or challenged) the way you read Scripture?
- Was there a part of the Bible's overall story (Law, History, Poetry, Prophets, Gospels, Acts, Letters, Revelation) that you have overlooked or misunderstood?

LOVING THE STORY.

- In what ways is it tempting to know about the Bible without letting the story shape your heart and daily life?

EMBRACING OUR PLACE IN THE STORY.

- What does it mean to live in the "29th Chapter of Acts?"
- Where do you sense God might be inviting you to participate more actively in His story right now?

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FINDING HOPE IN THE STORY.

- Isaiah 46 reminds us that God declares the end from the beginning. How does that truth speak into a current uncertainty or struggle in your life?
- What does it look like, practically, to trust the Author of the story when your current chapter feels confusing or painful?

DIGGING DEEPER.

*Isaiah 46 is spoken to Israel during a season of looming exile. In the middle of political upheaval and fear about the future, God reminds His people that He alone rules history, declares the end from the beginning, and faithfully brings His purposes to completion. This passage isn't meant to satisfy curiosity about the future; it's meant to anchor trust in the character of God. **READ ISAIAH 46.***

- The idols in Isaiah 46 must be carried, but God carries His people. What “functional saviors” do you find yourself carrying? (Things you rely on for security, identity, or control)
- Israel was tempted to measure God by their circumstances (exile, loss, fear). Where are you tempted to judge God's faithfulness based on how your life is going rather than on who He has revealed Himself to be?
- Hope in this passage is rooted in God's nature, not in changed circumstances. How does this reshape your understanding of biblical hope compared to optimism or wishful thinking?