

IN VAIN

BEARING GOD'S NAME
TO A WATCHING WORLD

SMALL GROUP LESSON • WEEK OF 3/3/2024

Bearing God's Name at Sinai

Main Texts: Exodus 20:7; Exodus 19:1–6; 32:7–14; 1 Peter 2:9; Colossians 3:17

“You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not hold anyone guiltless who misuses his name.” (Exodus 20:7)

Goal of the Group Time: To expand our understanding of using the name of the Lord.

Break the Ice: Share with the group:

- (a) A time in your life when someone misrepresented you
- OR
- (b) A time when you misrepresented someone else

Scripture: Exodus 19:1–6

1. What does it mean to be a “kingdom of priests”?
2. Some of this opportunity appears to be conditional—God says, “if you obey me fully,” “if you keep my covenant” things Israel wasn’t able to do—how did that impact their status as God’s people (and representatives)? See Exodus 32:7–14.
3. What else stands out to you from these readings and from Sunday’s message?

Read 1 Peter 2:9 & Colossians 3:17

1. What does it mean for the church to be a priesthood?
2. What does it mean for you personally to do everything you do in Christ’s name?

Life Application Questions:

1. How have these things convicted you?
1. What is one thing you can do or change this week to better represent God to the world?
1. Who is someone that God is calling you to act as a priest on their behalf this week?