Common Ground Café

Sermon Discussion Guide Sunday, May 3, 2020



The Highlight of Heaven

Daniel 7:9-14

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Get to Know You

How do you picture Jesus in your mind? What are some positives and negatives of the pictures we create of Jesus?

Study the Book

Read Daniel 7:9-14

What do the following symbols in this passage represent:

White Clothing -

White Hair -

Throne with Wheels -

Throne Ablaze with Fire -

The whole scene conveys a sense of absolute purity, wisdom, authority, and judgment.

What was the most common way that Jesus described Himself?

By calling himself the Son of Man, at the very least, Jesus was pointing back to this figure we see in Daniel 7 and saying, "Have you ever wondered who that figure was that Daniel saw in his dream? You're looking at him."

Pastor Tom

Read Matthew 17:2-3 and Acts 9:3-5

How is the description of Jesus in these verses similar to what people highlight in their Near-Death Experiences?

Read 2 Corinthians 5:8 and Philippians 1:22

What is similar about these verses?

Those verses emphatically tell us two things: first, that when death separates my soul from my body, I will still be conscious and aware and experiencing things. Second, when the mist that separates this life from the next life clears, the first face I'll see is the face of my Savior. I don't have to be afraid of the next life.

Read Mark 10:45

How does this verse relate to the description of the Son of Man in Daniel 7:13-14?

Group Application Discussion

Who is someone that you would say exhibits light and love whenever you are around them? How would experiencing Jesus Christ be even greater than these experiences?

What truth of heaven from Scripture do you find the most astounding/comforting/encouraging?

Personal Reflection and Application

What earthly trouble do you currently want to leave behind? Say a prayer thanking Christ for being with us during these troubles and for saving us to ultimately escape these troubles.