RENEWAL FOR THE CHURCH PT. 3

WORSHIP

Read and reflect on Psalm 113. This Psalm is read at Passover, the feast which ultimately points to Christ and the Lord's Supper.

FELLOWSHIP

Do you like going to weddings? Why or why not?

DISCUSSION

1. On Sunday, Syler likened Baptism to someone's wedding day, and the Lord's Supper to date night. What aspects of the sermon stuck out to you?

2. Read Romans 6:1-4

   a. How does Paul connect baptism to death and new life in these verses?

   b. What aspects of your life have been different (made new) since you were baptized?

3. Read 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

   a. What is remembered during the Lord's Supper?

   b. In your experience, what is meaningful about the bread and wine when you take it?

   c. Why do you think Baptism and the Lord's Supper are important for the renewal of our church?

PRAYER

Take some time to either remember your own baptism or consider getting baptized yourself. In addition to that, go around and share any prayer requests that the group might have.

Here's a concluding benediction to pray:

"May God go before you to lead you,
May God go behind you to protect you,
May God go beneath you to sustain you,
And may God go beside you to befriend you,
Do not be afraid,
But may the blessings of God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit be with you always,
Do not be afraid,
But go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Amen."[1]

[1] This is a prayer taken from Neil Plantinga Jr., the former president of Calvin College, who would conclude the college's chapel times with this benediction.

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