

GROUP DISCUSSION

Questions for facilitating dynamic discussion

Who Do You Think You Are?

Week 4: We Are Priests
Ephesians 4:11-13

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We receive a brand-new identity when we trust Christ. Part of that new identity is that we are all priests in God's eyes. Our identity as a priest comes with a great privilege and a great responsibility. We must learn to embrace both.

Kicking Off:

Who was your first pastor? Tell the group about him.

Discussion:

1. Reread Exodus 19:5-6 *"Out of all nations you will be my treasured possession. You will be a kingdom of priests and a holy nation."*

Why did God want His people to be a "kingdom of priests?"

2. Reread 1 Peter 2:9 *"You are a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession."*

In what way is Peter's statement similar to Exodus 19:5-6?

3. What happened at the moment of Jesus' death that helped the apostles know that all believers were now priests?

4. Reread Hebrews 10:19 *"We have confidence to enter the Most Holy Place by the blood of Jesus."*

What does it mean for us to "enter the Most Holy Place?"

5. What advice would you give to someone desiring to experience God's presence?

6. Read Ephesians 4:11-13 *"Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, ¹² to equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up ¹³ until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ."*

What does this verse tell us about God's vision for clergy and laity?

7. If you have served as a volunteer at church, share of the first volunteer position you filled.

Wrapping It Up:

Pray that the Lord would inspire all believers in our church to embrace their calling to serve Him as priests.