

SUNDAY'S SERMON // SUNDAY, MARCH 6 EPHESIANS 6:5-9 // HARVEST IN THE WORKPLACE

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

Use these questions in your community (family, life group, ABF, etc.) to apply this sermon in your life.

- 1. What is your understanding of how the Bible speaks to slavery? How has the church in America done poorly and done well in speaking to slavery using Scripture?
- 2. Read Ephesians 6:5-9. Pastor Tony said that the Bible does not explicitly license or explicitly condemn slavery. How does this text speak to that statement? How does the story of Onesimus in the book of Philemon fit in?
- 3. This passage was written in the context of how to interact with people in your household (Oikos). Thinking in terms of your workplace Oikos, what if your goal as an employee was to lead your boss to Christ? What would change in your approach to your job and those you work with? Tony challenged us to consider our attitude, approach, motive, perspective and desired outcome.
- 4. If you are a business owner, leader, supervisor or manager, what if your goal was to lead those who report to you to Jesus? What would change in your approach to how you lead? How can you care well for those who God has placed under your care?
- 5. Could the next harvest begin in the workplace? How would this change your prayers? Pray together for the gospel to saturate each of your places of work.

NEXT SUNDAY // SUNDAY, MARCH 13 EPHESIANS 6:10-17

SCRIPTURE: READING ABOUT GOD

Take time to read and become familiar with this passage before hearing it preached next Sunday.

- What words were used/repeated/emphasized in this passage?
- Where else in Scripture are these words described/illustrated?
- How does this passage describe God?
- In your own words, summarize this passage, trying to identify the main theme.

PRAYER: COMMUNICATING WITH GOD

Allow your responses to these questions to affect your prayers this week for ...

- Yourself
- The Church
- Your Oikos