

CONVERSATION STARTER

How have you enjoyed God this week?

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READ: Psalm 37:1-9

"We glorify God and enjoy him forever — by trusting him with our lives."

What are some real life examples of how we tend to fret, or "burn with anger" because of evildoers and injustice in the world?

What mindset does this passage teach us to have instead? How do we do that?

What other passages in Scripture come to mind regarding this theme? What evil-doing or injustice was taking place in those contexts?

READ: Psalm 37:10-24

"We glorify God and enjoy him forever — by keeping the big picture in mind."

What is the big picture we need to keep in mind? How does thinking "big picture" aid in our pursuit of glorifying God and enjoying him forever?

On the contrary, David tells us in verse 11 that the meek shall inherit the land. Does this sound familiar? Where have you heard this before? (Hint: Read the Beatitudes in Matthew 5)

How does Jesus elaborate on this idea in his Sermon on the Mount? And how does this give us joy?

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READ: Psalm 37:25-40

"We glorify God and enjoy him forever — by pursuing righteousness."

What is the relationship between trusting in God's righteousness through Jesus and actively pursuing righteousness in our lives?

Pastor Robert mentioned that pursuing righteousness involves conforming to God's standards as outlined in his Word. How do you practically apply God's standards to your daily decisions and actions? Are there areas where you struggle to align with his standards, and how do you address those struggles?

Wrap it up

What stood out to you in this week's sermon? What were your biggest takeaways?

DISCIPLINES

Pray: Ask God to help us to fulfill our ultimate purpose in life to glorify him and enjoy him forever.

Read: 1 Corinthians 10:31; Romans 11:36; Psalm 73:25-28

Write: Take time to write down your thoughts and insights from the sermon this week. Keeping a journal is just one more tool that you can use to track what God is showing you in your walk with him. Consider writing in questions for the podcast on the Gateway Church app.

Sing: Listen to the worship songs from Sunday throughout the week. Look up the lyrics to each song and spend some time reading them as well.

Memorize: Psalm 37:8-9

 $\boldsymbol{Love:}$ Share about the Kingdom of God to someone who needs to hear about it.

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