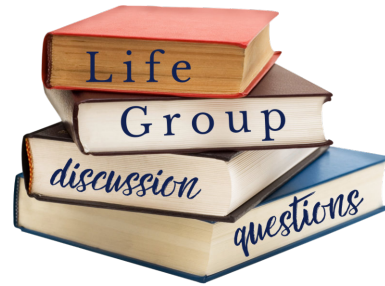


OPENING DISCUSSION

What does it mean to know God? How do you get to know God?



SERMON

How does God's Word tell us about who He is?

Why is it important to understand that God's righteousness is directly tied to the truth of His Word? What would it mean for God's Word not to be true?

How does understanding who God is help David to have a better understanding of who he is?

How does David's reminder of who God is give him strength in times of trouble?

Why does David cry out to God? Why does it appear as though David is waiting for an answer from God for an extended period of time?

What is David's strength and encouragement when, perhaps, God seems distant?

APPLICATION

When you read the Bible, do you read for inspiration, guidance, or knowledge? Or do you read to get to know God? What's the difference?

Do you believe the Bible is true? Why or why not?

Why is it important for us to be able to trust what the Bible says about God? What happens to our relationship with God if we lose faith in the Bible's description of Him?

What do you do when it feels like God is distant? How can you trust that God is near even when you cannot feel His presence?



PSALM 119:137-152 (ESV)

Righteous are you, O Lord, and right are your rules. You have appointed your testimonies in righteousness and in all faithfulness. My zeal consumes me, because my foes forget your words. Your promise is well tried, and your servant loves it. I am small and despised, yet I do not forget your precepts. Your righteousness is righteous forever, and your law is true. Trouble and anguish have found me out, but your commandments are my delight. Your testimonies are righteous forever; give me understanding that I may live. With my whole heart I cry; answer me, O Lord! I will keep your statutes. I call to you; save me, that I may observe your testimonies. I rise before dawn and cry for help; I hope in your words. My eyes are awake before the watches of the night, that I may meditate on your promise. Hear my voice according to your steadfast love; O Lord, according to your justice give me life. They draw near who persecute me with evil purpose; they are far from your law. But you are near, O Lord, and all your commandments are true. Long have I known from your testimonies that you have founded them forever.

Not a part of a Life Group at North Hills?

Visit the church website and check out the different groups currently meeting.

When you see one that interests you, click on the link provided and know that the group will be glad you came!

<https://church.north-hills.org/connect/small-group-ministry>

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An Intimate Conversation with God

Psalms 119:137-152

BIG IDEA:

We must learn to _____ in who God _____.

1. God's _____ reminds us of God's _____.
(Psalm 119:137-144)

2. God's _____ reminds us of God's _____.
(Psalm 119:145-152)

RESPONSE:

Do you _____ that God is near even when you don't _____ it?

Read the entire Bible chronologically in a year

See the church newsletter for this week's Bible reading passages.

(<https://church.north-hills.org/newsletters/weekly-newsletter>)

		
Hoodies Youth sizes (YXS-YL): \$50 & tax Adult sizes (S-5XL): \$60 & tax	Crewnecks Youth sizes (YXS-YL): \$40 & tax Adult sizes (S-5XL): \$50 & tax	T-Shirts Youth sizes (YS-YXL): \$15 & tax Adult sizes (XS-3XL): \$18 & tax

North Hills Apparel sale extended to October 28

Orders can be made online. Orders will be delivered in November. Ready for Christmas! All proceeds will go towards campus improvements. Go to <https://school.north-hills.org/resources/north-hills-apparel>.

Senior Women's Coffee

Join us on Thursday, October 20, at 10:00 a.m. Please RSVP by calling Kathy Gasser at (707) 425-2260.

Outdoor Children's Ministry on Sunday mornings

Parents and guardians, we ask that you go to the **main entrance** of the Worship Center to check your child in. After service, please go to the Preschool Playground in a timely fashion to check your child out. While our Sunday morning Children's Worship is designed for children, it is not mandatory children attend. Parents and guardians are welcome to keep their children with them in the Worship Center if they prefer.

The FAMILY ROOM

Want a place to go during the worship service when your young one is crying?

Want a place to go when your newborn needs to be fed?

Want a place to go where the service can be watched?

The Family Room has been designed especially for you!

The Family Room (located on the first floor by the wooden double doors) is for parents who want to care for their children yet do not want to miss out on what is happening in the Worship Center. Parents, we invite you to come inside and make yourself at home.

We also have another room for parents. It is located on the second floor. It is a larger room where children can play and parents can watch the service as it is live streamed. The room next door has a restroom. Please feel free to use it and let us know if there is anything you need.

Parents, we are so glad you are here at North Hills. It is an honor and joy to serve you and your children. May God bless you today.

Communication Cards and Offering Envelopes

At the **main entrance** and **senior parking lot entrance** of the Worship Center, you will find special new boxes when you leave today. If you have filled out a Communication Card or Offering Envelope, please insert them into either of the boxes (please note the boxes will remain out for 15 minutes after the service). For those who prefer to contribute online, simply go to north-hills.org and click on Support NH or text GIVE to (707) 289-7600.