

Sermon Discussion Guide:

Why Does God Care?

Sunday, February 26, 2023

Scripture: **Psalm 8:4**

Series: **Q&A: The Bible's Heaviest Questions**

OVERVIEW

The expansive universe and all that God has created is BIG! With a sum of planets and stars too large to quantify, we recognize that our God is big and powerful. A small baby so wonderfully made is another testament to how great our God is. This bears the question, “why would He even care about us?” He is so much more than us—eternal, infinitely good, holy, merciful, and gracious. Also, He is loving, kind, and omnipotent to name just a few of His characteristics. We are sinful, unloving and wayward. But, **God does care because He has made you for Himself.**

CORROBORATING TEXTS

Psalm 8; Genesis 1:27; Psalm 130:13-14; Genesis 6:5; Psalm 14:5; Isaiah 64:6; Romans 1:18; Psalm 145:8-9; Isaiah 1:18; Psalm 130:3-4; Hebrews 2:5-9; Romans 5:6-8

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Many people (believers and otherwise) look at their lives, and wonder if God cares. They consider their worth, actions, and values and conclude there is no way a holy God—the creator of the world—could care about them. Yet our scripture passage says, “What is man that you are mindful of him, and the son of man that you care for him”? How would you explain to someone, from a godly perspective, answering this desperate question?
2. Where does man’s meaning and purpose come from? What does this indicate of our relationship with Him? Discuss the Imago Dei and assurance of being image bearers.
3. How is it that a follower of Jesus Christ can go through bouts of feeling worthless and undeserving? How can a perfect God love an imperfect creation? [see Psalm 145:8-9]
4. Pastor Joe stated that we cannot undo or destroy the image we bear, but we can ignore it, which leads us away from God towards selfism. What would be the warning signs that we are walking away and ignoring God?
5. We are not special, worthy, or deserving, yet we see throughout the word it is in God’s nature to be loving. How does God make this clear to man? What scripture comes to mind that claims God’s love toward man?
6. As a believer, know that you are His! Let your life demonstrate that you are alive because He is alive! John 10:28-30. God is holy and perfect and cannot go against His nature. He does care for us. He who would not spare His own Son for us, cleanses, restores and seals our soul forever. Romans 8:32. How can we share the good news this week?