

Week of November 8th, 2020 - Discussion Questions for Ohana Groups
Eyes on Jesus: A Father's Encouragement | Hebrews 12:4-11

Overview

God disciplines and trains us for our good, in order to produce a harvest of righteousness and peace. Even when times are tough, know that God desires to grow and mold you into the image of Christ!

OHANA TIME!

Icebreaker: What is hardest training you ever had to go through?

Ohana Time! (this is an opportunity to be creative and to try out new things as an Ohana Group! Feel free to include children): Draw a picture that illustrates your relationship with God right now. How is God helping you grow? How is God challenging you? Be creative!

BIBLE: Read Hebrews 12:4-11

1. What discipline did you sometimes resent as a child that you appreciate now? (ex. Practicing piano? Having a place for everything and everything in its place? Not overspending your allowance?)
2. How does God's discipline differ from human discipline?
3. In verse 8, what does hardship demonstrate about a person's relationship with God?
4. Why is endurance important during discipline?
5. In verses 10-11, what is God's purpose for you when you face hardship and what benefits does God's discipline bring?
6. How has God disciplined you in the past? How did his discipline lead to peace for you?

APPLICATION

1. With our ever-changing world, people are constantly faced with challenges and hardship. What is the hardest thing you're going through right now? What has been your initial reaction? How can you change your perspective and attitude in light of today's passage? How is God using this hardship for your good?
2. Unfortunately, it is very easy to lose our focus on Jesus when facing hardship. Who is somebody you can encourage that you know who is going through tough a time? What is one Scripture passage you can share with them to encourage them and to help them fix their eyes on Jesus?

PRAYER

1. Pray for a new perspective that "rejoices in trials" (James 1:2) and for vision that always focuses on Jesus in the midst of trials.
2. For those who are facing trials, thank the Lord that he is producing a harvest of righteousness and peace in your life.

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