

INSURGENCY

The God Who Breaks Chains - I Dr. Derwin L. Gray

Open in Prayer.

If it's your first time meeting, review Chapters 1-3 of the Insurgency digital book. If you have already been meeting, go over Chapter 3.

- How have these chapters added to your understanding of the sermons?
- What are some of the historical facts that have left an impression on you?
- What have you learned about grace in these chapters?

Read Matthew 6:9-10

- When you read the phrase, "Your name be honored as holy," what comes to mind?
- What does it mean when we say, "Your kingdom come on earth as it is in heaven?"

Our Father in heaven breaks the chains of <u>slavery</u> so we can <u>flourish</u>.

- Read Exodus 4:23. Does this statement seem harsh to you? Why is this act necessary?
- Read Exodus 20:1-2. What is God bringing the Jews out of?
- When you see that the 10 Commandments start from a place of freedom it can change the way we view these laws. It goes from, "live this way in order to be free," to, "I set you free in order for you to live this way." What is the key difference you see in these two perspectives?

We flourish when we worship our Father in heaven.

- Read Exodus 20:3.
- "In response to God, the first rhythm of grace is to worship God alone. We are to have eyes for Him and for Him alone. The human heart is created for worship. If we don't worship the uncreated Creator, we will worship created things."
- Is there anything or anyone in your life that you worship other than God? This may not always look like how we think it will. Sometimes we worship "good" things, but these should never take the place of God.
- What can we do when we find ourselves worshiping created things rather than the Creator? How do we return to the proper rhythm of grace?

We worship when we love God <u>completely</u> and discover who and Whose we are as we come to see <u>ourselves</u> as God sees us. In this way, we become <u>secure</u> enough to become <u>other-centered</u> rather than self-centered.

- Read Luke 10:25-28. How do these verses encompass all of the 10 commandments?

How do we fall in love with Jesus? By spending time in:

Scripture

Read John 5:39. Reading Scripture is important but it must point to Jesus, if it doesn't we are like
Pharisees. Has there ever been a time in your life when you have put studying the Scriptures above Jesus?

Silence & Solitude

- Read Mark 1:35. Do you ever spend time in silence and solitude? If so, how has it impacted you? If not, are you willing to try it? How can you incorporate this practice into your life?

Serving

- Read Hebrews 9:14. Are you serving? If so, share where and how you serve. If not, is there an area where you are interested in serving? How can you use your gifts to serve the living God?

Soul-tattoo:

- 1) Commit to silence and solitude twice this week
- 2) Join an Insurgency Group