



SBSG – Broken: Our Nation

The Purpose of a Sermon Based Small Group (to be read at the beginning of each gathering)

The purpose of our small group is to actively pursue Christ through relationships, as we worship, serve, and belong together.

READ ALOUD BY ALL (allow this prayer to shape your time together)

Dear God, help me in this dialogue to be humble & suspend judgment. I recognize that we are all created in your image. Give me courage to stay curious about each other by asking questions. Thank you, God, for this opportunity to meet together and in so doing grow closer to you. AMEN

Sermon Series: Broken: Our Nation

Opening question: Does our country feel broken to you? If so, is it more broken now than before, or less, or about the same? Why?

Sermon Synopsis: A contested election turned into a protest that turned into a stormed federal capitol building. Our nation is living through dark days, and finds itself broken. As we look to the future, we hope and pray for healing. For different ideologies to come together for the greater good, what must take place from us? Is it even possible?

Bible Reading

Reading the Bible is about reading for practice and spiritual formation – spiritual formation, in which the reader seeks to be formed by the Spirit of God.

Passage(s) from the sermon: Mark 10:35-45 Luke 14:7-11 (NRSV)

What questions do you have about the passages/sermon?
What do you feel God is saying to you through this passage?

Discipleship Point: Humility should be our defining characteristic

What causes you to feel broken personally? Do you believe God can fix it?

Personal Prayer Request

Share a one or two sentence prayer request with the Small Group for this next week. Remember these prayer requests are about your life not someone else's.

(Sample Prayer)

God, we thank you for your presence with us. We lift up these requests to you knowing that you care deeply about us...we pray for _____ and _____ and (fill in prayer requests) ... God we know that you have heard our request and we release all outcomes to you and your glory. It's in your Son's name Jesus that we pray...**AMEN.**