

ICEBREAKER (10 MINUTES)

Are you interested in genealogies in general? Why is it important to know our family tree? Why is it important for us to know the genealogy of Jesus Christ?

INTRODUCTION (5-10 MINUTES)

Anchor Verses: 1 Chronicles 17:1-14

God told Adam and Eve to "be fruitful and multiply." There were 20 generations between Adam and Abraham. The first advent is the arrival of Jesus, and the second advent is the return. During the first advent, God established righteousness and justice in our hearts. During the second advent, God will establish righteousness and justice on earth.

INTO THE WORD (25 MINUTES)

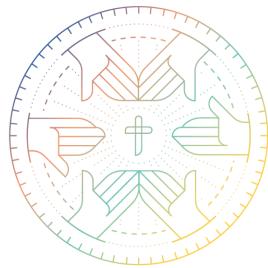
- 1. Read 1 Chronicles 17:11-14, Daniel 2:44, and Matthew 6:33. We see that the Kingdom of God is:
 - Where brokenness doesn't exclude us
 - Where we make sense of life
 - Where we can never say that God doesn't understand us

What sticks out to you about the Kingdom of God?

2. Read Colossians 3:15, Jeremiah 23:5, and Philippians 4:7. What comes to mind when you consider the word peace? In what ways do you think the world's "peace" and the true peace promised by Jesus are different?







APPLICATION (25 MINUTES)

- 1. Read Isaiah 9:6, Jeremiah 23:5-6, and Revelation 19:16. What areas of your life do you need to surrender to Jesus, knowing that God makes promises and He fulfills them?
- 2. Read 1 Chronicles 17:13, 2 Samuel 7:14-15, and Hebrews 1:5. These scripture passages tell us about God's promise of a messiah and his fulfillment of scripture. How does this promise, and fulfillment of scripture affect you today? How do you fit in with the Christmas story?

PRAYER (10 MINUTES)

Dear Heavenly Father, we are so thankful for Jesus. During the Christmas season, we celebrate the birth of your son and how that allows us to have a personal relationship with you. Help us not to forget your second advent to come. We are thankful that you are a God who fulfills His promises. We thank you for bringing us together in our small group. We ask that You guide us as we go through the week. In Jesus' name, Amen.