



'Remember When...'

Ice-Breaker:

- Share a time when God did something quite remarkable in your life.

Questions:

1. Discuss the following quotes:

"If we forget the past we don't know who we are, we don't know what we are, and we certainly don't know why we are." - Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

'Those who fail to learn from history are destined to repeat it.'

2. Read Joshua 4:1-9 and answer the following questions:

- What was the significance of God pointing them toward specific stones from the Jordan?
- Why do you think God instructed them to build this memorial?
- How do memorials benefit future generations?

3. Read Deuteronomy 8:10-18 and discuss the following:

- What are the dangers involved in forgetting what God has done for us?
- Can you think of a time when you did not remember God's goodness toward you and it led to negative consequences? If so, share this with the group.

4. The New Testament gives us two Christian memorial events to celebrate... the Lord's supper (communion) and baptism. What other memorial events do you celebrate?

5. Pastor Bryan mentioned many different ideas for memorial symbols (trees, gardens, pressed flowers, souvenirs, rings, tattoos, paintings, pictures, etc.). As you think about your life, how many memorial symbols come to mind?

Application:

Reflect upon the times in your life when God did something spectacular on your behalf and for His glory. Figure out a way to build some memorial symbols to remember and celebrate that event, for the sake of those who come after you.