

Celebrating God's Faithfulness

At the beginning of the Gathering on Sunday we heard five verses from the Psalms about God's faithfulness. One was from Psalm 57 - read it together and note how the Psalm progresses:



Read: Psalm 57

After you've reflected together on the structure and content of the Psalm - continue...

It begins with the Psalmist crying out to God for mercy, before expressing fear and frustration at his current circumstances but it doesn't dwell there, instead it quickly moves into praise to God for His care & protection. It ends with some "self talk" leading to further praise, and thanks to God for His faithfulness.

Jenga Blocks & God's Faithfulness

After the children & young people built with Jenga blocks, the young people played a game of regular Jenga until the tower fell.

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What points were made by likening the Church Family to a Jenga Tower?

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What other similarities are there between the two?

One of the blocks had two statements written on it:

- "God is faithful"
 - 1 Corinthians 1:9 "God is faithful, who has called you into fellowship with his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord."
- "we must be faithful"
 - 1 Corinthians 4:2 "Now it is required that those who have been given trust, must prove faithful."

We spent some time discussing ways in which God has been faithful to RBC over many years/generations.



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However long you've been at RBC, where/how have you seen/experienced God's faithfulness?

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Where have you seen the faithfulness of others to God at RBC?

Fruitfulness

"It is not enough for us to be faithful to God, we must also be **fruitful** for God."

- **?**What fruit are you seeing at RBC at the moment?
- What did you write as your hopes and dreams for RBC?

Jesus calls & appoints each of us to "go and bear fruit - fruit that will last..."

[John 15:16]

- What will it look like for your Life Group to be fruitful for God?
- ? What will the fruit be?
- What are you doing to ensure you will be fruitful?

Verse 16 (above) continues "[bear fruit which will last]... so that whatever you ask in my name the Father will give you."



Spend time praying together for the fruit you hope to see grow through your Life Group, and through RBC...