**I Can Only Imagine**

**Week 2**

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**Daily Time With Truth**

As you read these daily scriptures, ask yourself these three questions:

1. What is God saying to me?
2. What do I want to say to God in response?
3. How will I live out this truth?

**Day 1: John 3:16-18 (TPT)**

For here is the way God loved the world—he gave his only, unique Son *as a gift* So now everyone who believes in him will never perish but experience everlasting life. God did not send his Son into the world to judge and condemn the world, but to be its Savior and rescue it! So now there is no longer any condemnation for those who believe in him, but the unbeliever already lives under condemnation because they do not believe in the name of the only Son of God.

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**Day 2:** **Matthew 10:28 (NLT)**

Don’t be afraid of those who want to kill your body; they cannot touch your soul. Fear only God, who can destroy both soul and body in hell.

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**Day 3:** **Deuteronomy 30:18-20 (NLT)**

Today I have given you the choice between life and death, between blessings and curses. Now I call on heaven and earth to witness the choice you make. Oh, that you would choose life, so that you and your descendants might live! You can make this choice by loving the Lord your God, obeying him, and committing yourself firmly to him. This is the key to your life. And if you love and obey the Lord, you will live long in the land the Lord swore to give your ancestors Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob.

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**Day 4: Matthew 25:31-34 (TPT)**

When the Son of Man appears in his majestic glory, with all his angels by his side, he will take his seat on his throne of splendor, and all the nations will be gathered together before him. And like a shepherd who separates the sheep from the goats, he will separate all the people. The ‘sheep’ he will put on his right side and the ‘goats’ on his left. Then the King will turn to those on his right and say, ‘You have a special place in my Father’s heart. Come and experience the full inheritance of the kingdom realm that has been destined for you from before the foundation of the world!”

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**Day 5: Romans 1:18-20 (TPT)**

For God in heaven unveils his holy anger breaking forth against every form of sin, both toward ungodliness that lives in hearts and evil actions. For the wickedness of humanity deliberately smothers the truth and keeps people from acknowledging the truth about God. In reality, the truth of God is known instinctively, for God has embedded this knowledge inside every human heart. *Opposition to truth cannot be excused on the basis of ignorance*, because from the creation of the world, the invisible qualities of God’s nature have been made visible, such as his eternal power and transcendence. He has made his wonderful attributes easily perceived, for seeing the visible makes us understand the invisible. So then, this leaves everyone without excuse.

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**Discussion Questions:**

1. Why do you think Jesus spoke so many times about hell – 70 or so times? What comes to your mind when you think about hell? What images or descriptions?

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2. Pastor Bob said, “Born twice, die once. Born once, die twice.” What does that mean to you and is there anyone that God has laid on your heart because you are concerned about their eternal destination? Share what you are doing about your concerns and how we can pray with you.

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3. How would you respond to someone who asked you, “How can a loving God send someone to hell?” Have you had that or other questions about eternity asked of you by unchurched friends? How do you respond?

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4. Read 1 John 4:7-21. “And so we know and rely on the love God has for us. God is love. Whoever lives in love lives in God, and God in them. This is how love is made complete among us so that we will have confidence on the day of judgment: In this world we are like Jesus. There is no fear in love. But perfect love drives out fear, because fear has to do with punishment. The one who fears is not made perfect in love.” (Vs 16-18) What do you say to people who are afraid of hell? How can we live a legacy of love that makes God visible? Have you known anyone who truly lives this out? Share how their love brought light to a dark world.

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5. Read Romans 1:18-32. Why are people without excuse? Were you aware of God before you were told about Him? Share any experiences of how you have seen God and become aware of Him beyond any words you have heard or read. How do you see this passage lived out in our current times? How can we be the most effective as a witness for God in the midst of so many who are spiritually blind?

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6. Read 2 Corinthians 5:6-8. How do you feel about the thought of dying? Do you have any fears? If so, what are they? How do you live your life in light of eternity? How does it change things for you to be aware of so much death around you (COVID and other illnesses causing many funerals the past two years) and the brevity of life?

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