

SERMON STUDY GUIDE

Week of 5.12.24 Exodus 32 // Joe Valenti

Please take the opportunity to revisit the CVC Equip

<u>Portrait of a Healthy LifeGroup</u> on a regular basis

CONNECT (10 MIN)

Reflect on times when impatience has led to poor decisions. How does this relate to the Israelites' actions in creating the golden calf?

EXPLORE (30 MIN)

<u>Create Context (5 min):</u> View the sermon recap video <u>HERE!</u>

Study & Discussion (25 min)

- Read Exodus 32:1-6
 - Discuss the implications of the Israelites turning to idolatry so soon after witnessing God's miracles. Why is it easy to stray from faith during times of waiting or uncertainty?
 - Consider that we just learned that Aaron is about to be made the high priest. What are we to learn here about Aaron and about God?
- Read Exodus 32:7-10
 - Analyze God's reaction to the Israelites' sin as described in these verses. What does this response tell us about the gravity of sin and its communal consequences?
 - Consider what we just learned about the tabernacle over the last few weeks. How does this response from God teach us about the necessity of the various tools and locations in the tabernacle?
- Read Exodus 32:7-10.
 - Consider the role of Moses as a mediator in Exodus 32 with that of Christ as described in Hebrews 7:25. How does Christ's continual intercession change our relationship with God compared to that of the Israelites?



Reflect on the contrast between the consequences of the Israelites' sins and the message of grace in Ephesians 2:4-5. How does the New Testament reshape our understanding of God's response to human sinfulness?

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

- Relenting Wrath: The Role of Desperate Prayer and the Mystery of Divine Providence // Platt (Sermon)
- Does Prayer Change Things? // Sproul (Book free on Kindle)
- Play the Long Game of Sanctification // Powlison (article)

APPLY (30 MIN)

• Choose one area of life where you feel challenged by idolatry or impatience. Commit to a specific action this week that will help redirect your focus towards God.

PRAY (15 MIN)

- Pray for strength to resist the allure of modern idols.
- Seek forgiveness for times when impatience has led to unfaithfulness.
- Take a moment as a group to pray for those that are far from God.



EQUIP ANNOUNCEMENTS

Week of 5.12.24

Please take a moment to share these announcements with your group.

More information on each item can be found by scanning the QR codes.

COMMUNITY LIFE

CVC Women In Prayer: May 18, 2024

CVC Women in Prayer is hosting their next church-wide prayer gathering on Saturday, May 18th from 9am-11am right here at the Broadview Hts. Campus. All CVC women are invited to join us! Doors open at 8:30am for coffee & fellowship. You can register by clicking HERE.



SEND/SERVE

Building Hope In the City Training

To find out more about our Big 10 ministry partner, Building Hope in the City, plan to attend this info session on May 19th at 12:45pm. Light refreshments will be served. Please register <u>HERE</u>.



CVCYOUTH

Movin' In / Movin' Up: June 1, 2024

CVCYouth will be hosting their annual Movin' In & Movin' Up events on June 1st. Movin' In is for all incoming 6th grade students and Movin' Up is for all incoming 9th grade students. This Is a great event for students to meet middle school and high school leaders and learn more about CVCYouth.



SAVE-THE-DATES

CVCYouth Frontlines Summer Camp: June 23-28, 2024