

Key Takeaways

- 1.) Our church's vision for 2025 is "Becoming Well-Known"
- 2.) This vision focuses on three aspects: 1.) **Knowing God** 2.) **Being Known By God** 3.) **Making God Known To Others**
- 3.) True knowledge of God leads to transformation and a desire to be more like Him.
- 4.) Our goal should be to be known by God rather than seeking worldly recognition.
- 5.) As we grow in our relationship with God, we naturally become His light in the world.

Discussion Questions

- 1.) What stood out to you most from the sermon? Why?
- 2.) Pastor Zach mentioned that *"if you've heard the Word of God and you've left unchanged, you may know of Him, but I am certain you do not know Him."* How has your knowledge of God changed you personally?
- 3.) How do you currently pursue knowing God more deeply? What new practices could you incorporate to deepen your relationship with Him?
- 4.) The sermon emphasized the importance of being known by God rather than seeking worldly recognition. In what areas of your life do you struggle with prioritizing God's opinion over others'?
- 5.) Reflect on Psalm 139:23-24: "Search me, God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts." How comfortable are you with inviting God to search your heart? What might be holding you back?
- 6.) Pastor Zach mentioned that the church will be diving deeper into less commonly preached books of the Bible. Which books are you most curious about exploring, and why?
- 7.) How can we as individuals and as a group better "shine the light of Jesus into a dark and hurting world"? What practical steps can we take?

Practical Application

- 1.) *Daily Scripture Reading: Commit to reading a chapter of the Bible each day this week, focusing on really understanding and applying it to your life.*
- 2.) *Prayer Journal: Start a prayer journal where you invite God to search your heart. Write down what He reveals to you and how you plan to respond.*
- 3.) *Intentional Conversations: Challenge yourself to have at least one conversation this week where you intentionally share something about your faith or God's impact on your life.*
- 4.) *Group Outreach: Plan a group activity that allows you to serve the community and share God's love in a tangible way.*
- 5.) *Accountability Partners: Pair up with someone in the group to check in regularly on your spiritual growth and how you're applying the "Becoming Well-Known" vision in your daily life.*