



Sun Stand Still Week #4

Warm-up

Have you ever driven your car through dense fog or a heavy rainstorm that caused your view to be impaired? How did that make you feel?

The Word & Application

Read Mark 10:51

Jesus asked the blind man, *“What do you want me to do for you?”* This was a question to determine how the blind man viewed God’s supernatural ability to heal, not to highlight his inability to see.

What comes to your mind when you think about God, as well as His desire and ability to meet your needs?

Our view of God is vital because it is the starting point for almost every spiritual decision we will make. Chapter 11 of Hebrews describes several great men and women that demonstrated true biblical faith. They are referred to as “heroes of faith” because they asked God for the impossible, believed Him to be capable, and ultimately experienced the reward of His promises.

Who is a “hero of faith” that inspires you to believe God for the impossible?

Read Hebrews 11:33-34

Why do you think it is important to have the right, biblical picture of God?

Without an accurate vision of God, you cut yourself off from the very One who enables you to have audacious faith in the first place. What makes world-changing Christians unique, audacious, and powerful isn’t their perfection; it’s their understanding of God’s perfect nature and purposes in the world.

What are some choices that you can make that will help give you a more accurate view of who God is?

Read Psalm 62:11-12

Let's take a look at two characteristics found in these verses that will sharpen our view of God and build our faith.

1. God is great!

Read Psalm 62:11

No prayer is too big for our God. If there is no limit to what God can do, then there is no limit to what we can dream, pray, or accomplish in His service.

Describe a time where you found yourself in a situation that seemed impossible with your ability. What was the outcome?

Remember, if your problem is too big for you, it's the right size for God.

Read Deuteronomy 10:17, Psalm 24:8, Jeremiah 50:34, and Daniel 3:17

When we see God for who He is, our small dreams are eclipsed by His unlimited strength as it becomes increasingly clear that there is nothing our Father in heaven cannot do.

2. God is good!

Read Psalm 62:12

The penalties of our sins have been wiped out because of the willingness of Jesus to pay for our sins through His death at the cross. What we deserved because of our sin has been destroyed because of God's goodness at the cross.

Read Romans 8:28

Describe a time in your life that God turned something potentially bad into something that He used for your good.

Read Psalm 103:2-4

David could have focused on the problems that he faced. Instead, he remembered and focused on God.

What do you need to do to strengthen your faith in God and improve your view of Him?

How has this discussion today challenged you in your relationship with Christ?

How has the series, "Sun Stand Still" helped you grow in your faith?

Prayer

Ask God to help everyone in your group strengthen their faith, see God for who He really is, confidently pray "sun stand still" prayers.