



2 So here I am in the place of worship, eyes open, drinking in your strength and glory. Psalm 63:2 (MSG)

2 ...sing yourselves into his presence. Psalm 100:2 (MSG)

- Worship allows us to be present in His presence.

- An encounter with God changes everything.

1 ...Do not be afraid, for I have ransomed you. I have called you by name; you are mine. 2 When you go through deep waters, I will be with you. When you go through rivers of difficulty, you will not drown. When you walk through the fire of oppression, you will not be burned up; the flames will not consume you. 3 For I am the LORD, your God, ... your Savior. Isaiah 43:1-3 (NLT)

**Why we don't have to be afraid:**

- God paid for your freedom from darkness.

- You matter to God.

- God knows you by name.

- Belonging to God comes with His protection.

Song: "Not Afraid" - Red Rocks Worship

**Confidence in God:**

- ...begins with surrendering our lives to God.

- ...grows with experience.

10 Those who know you, LORD, will trust you; you do not abandon anyone who comes to you. Psalm 9:10 (TEV)

**yada:** the process of intimately knowing and submitting to someone by observing and experiencing.

- We want God to prove Himself so we can trust Him.

**What we need to know about fear:**

- Fear does not come from God.

7 For God did not give us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of self-control. 2 Timothy 1:7 (BBE)

- Fear is faith in our doubts.

- Fear causes us to question God's character.

- Fear imagines a life without God's presence.

8 Do not be afraid or discouraged, for the LORD will personally go ahead of you. He will be with you; he will neither fail you nor abandon you." Deuteronomy 31:8 (NLT)

We become fearful when what we stand to lose is greater than what we stand to gain.

**Nurturing Trust in God:**

- **Grow** in your relationship with God.

33 Seek the Kingdom of God above all else, and live righteously, and he will give you everything you need. Matthew 6:33 (NLT)

- Take a step of **faith**.

8 Come close to God, and God will come close to you. James 4:8 (NLT)

- Get to know the goodness of God.

- Get to know the love of God.

- Get to know the faithfulness of God.

Know that the Lord is God. It is He who made us, and we are His; we are His people, the sheep of His pasture. Enter His gates with thanksgiving and His courts with praise; give thanks to Him and praise His name. For the Lord is good and His love endures forever; His faithfulness continues through all generations. Psalm 100:3-5 (NIV)



**TO CREATIVELY LOVE AND LEAD PEOPLE  
IN A GROWING RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS.**

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**Questions for Connection Groups:**

*These questions also work well for personal time with God.*

- What scripture and/or point spoke most to you from the Talk on Sunday? Why?
- Do you find that worship is an encounter that changes you? explain.
- Read Isaiah 43:1-3. Talk through some of the questions you might have about this verse. What stands out? What challenges you?
- Why do you think that God doesn't want us to have fear?
- Talk about the points under the sub-heading: "Why we don't have to be afraid". How do these remove fear in you? Which of these seems to speak loudest to you? Why?
- God wants us to know Him intimately. What does that mean to you? How does knowing God intimately remove fear? How do we get to know Him intimately?
- Talk through the points under the sub-heading: "What we need to know about fear".
- How does a growing relationship with God nurture trust? How do steps of faith help us to grow in our relationship with God? How does this deal with our tendency to be fearful?
- How do get to know the goodness, love and faithfulness of God?

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