

GOD IS.

A SERIES ON THE CHARACTER OF GOD

Ice Breaker: What's your favorite place to get away?

Read: Philippians 4:4-9, Psalm 16:11, Psalm 46:1-2

Discussion Questions:

- Opening Thoughts
 - What's the difference between silence and peace?
- Always Rejoice! (Philippians 4:4-5; Psalm 16:11)
 - What place is Paul writing Philippians 4 from? Why is this significant?
 - Is it possible to complain while you worship?
 - What does rejoicing have to do with peace?
 - What can you learn from Psalm 16:11?
 - When you go through trials, what example do you give to the people around you?
- Always Pray (Philippians 4:6-7; Daniel 3:13-18)
 - Sermon Notes:
 - Shalom (Hebrew, Old Testament): Shalom means wholeness, completeness, soundness, well-being — everything in right relationship and functioning as it should.
 - Eirēnē (Greek, New Testament): In classical Greek, eirēnē meant mainly the absence of war, but the New Testament writers pour the full weight of shalom back into it.
 - On a scale of 1-10 (1 being the worst, 10 being the best), how healthy is your prayer life?
 - Why is it important to pray and not be anxious?
 - What can you learn from Daniel 3:13-18 about prayer and peace?
- Always Course-Correct (Philippians 4:8-9)
 - What does Paul say to do in v.8? Why is it important to have this kind of mindset and not the opposite of what he says?
 - Paul ends v.9 saying "...and the God of peace will be with you." How is the peace of God (v.7) and the God of peace (v.9) different?
- Closing Thought: Always be Aware (Psalm 46:1-2)
 - Why is it important to always be aware of God?
 - What's your biggest takeaway from this study, and how will you apply what you've learned this week?

Close in prayer requests + prayer.

