

DIGGING IN

QUESTIONS FROM CHAPEL



Each week, we'll supply discussion questions as a follow-up to our Chapel speakers. Listen to the podcast on your own, or with your small group, and use these questions to help stimulate your discussion.

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Efrem Smith – Pastor; Sanctuary Covenant Church

1. What resonated with you about Efrem's talk? What challenged you? What questions do you have?
2. Efrem reminded us that Matthew 25 contains three parables; The Parable of the Ten Virgins, The Parable of the Talents, and The Sheep and the Goats. How do the first two parables inform the third?
3. Read Matthew 25 out loud together or on your own. Efrem asked "what does it mean to be in the value system of the kingdom of God?" What are the values of the kingdom of God? List some that you already know. What values of the kingdom are listed in Matthew 25? Talk about what you think about these values. Do they come naturally? How do we cultivate them? What do they look like in today's world? In you?
4. Efrem talked about how Jesus walks into the storms of life to bring peace. How did Jesus bring peace into the storms? What does it mean to bring peace?

Where could you walk into a storm and bring peace? Think about situations in your own life. Also think about situations in your community, your church, your work, your kid's schools, globally. Where can you bring peace there?