



Foster City Sermon Questions

You Are Not a Paper Plate

Genesis 16

May 14, 2017 || Donna Jones

1. Do you ever wonder if you are living a *significant* life? How do you define “significance?”
2. In Genesis 16, we read the story of Hagar. Who was she and how would you describe her journey of significance?
3. What did God ask Hagar in vs. 7-8? Why is this significant?
4. The angel of the Lord spoke to Hagar and told her she would bear a son (Ishmael) He also described to her what he would be like. How does Hagar respond? (vs. 13) Why is this significant?
5. Donna mentioned that we tend to define ourselves by *where* we are in life, i.e. single mom, divorced, student, business person, etc. And then she said, “*Where* you are (temporary) is NOT *who* you are (permanent).” And who you are *determines* how you live.
Are you living as if God SEES you? How so? How can that be a struggle?
6. We often talk about the importance of getting to *know God*. Where would you say you are (on a scale of 1-10) with knowing and experiencing the fact that God knows YOU? Can you tell him the deepest cries of your heart?
7. Psalm 116:2 says, “The Lord bends low *to hear* the prayers of His people.” How convinced are you that God really hears you, no matter what the circumstances? (Your prayers, your thoughts, and your intentions - even though you might not *feel* like He is listening)
8. Hagar, who by human standards was a “nobody” and a slave, came to believe that God really valued her- it certainly was a process. What has your process been like in coming to believe that God values you?
9. Would you say you are living, on a daily basis, according to *who you are*? How can we pray for you along these lines?



North Campus Sermon Questions
Beloved by God
Matthew 3:16-17, Romans 8:35-39
May 14, 2017 || Rob Hall

1. a. For 400 years, between the writing of the Old Testament and the New Testament, God was silent. In Matthew 3:16–17, God breaks the silence. What does He say?

b. At what point in Jesus' ministry does He say this?

c. What does this say about God's love?

2. a. How fully do you believe you are loved by God? Explain.

b. How does this knowledge affect...

your daily life?

your choices?

your self-worth?



South Campus Sermon Questions

The Mother Jesus Honors

John 2: 1-11

May 14, 2017 || Dan Reid

1. What do you feel when you think about Mother's Day?
2. Why do you think Jesus honors those who ask him to "fix it"? Looking back on your life, can you identify what Jesus fixed?
3. How does Jesus as the bridegroom and we as his bride help us understand how Jesus feels about us now and for all eternity?
4. What must happen in us to be able to yield to Jesus and agree with Mary when she says to the servants, "Do whatever Jesus tells you."?
5. Why do you think that the miracle at Cana was done in secret? What does the miracle tell us about Jesus' mission? What does it tell us about His new kingdom He is establishing?
6. How does this miracle give us hope that Jesus is the best thing? How does our future hope of the best things help us today?
7. How does this passage encourage mothers today? Identify one practical way you can encourage a mother in your life.

How might you invest in younger nieces, nephews, neighbors, and students in your life who need a positive parenting influence"? Identify one practical way you can bless a young person God has brought into your life.