

WE ENJOY THE TRUTH ABOUT GOD THE FATHER!

SMALL GROUP

WEEK 3 “Father God Parents” Oct. 24-30

WELCOME

- Give three words that describe how you were parented?
- In what ways do you feel that God has parented you?

WATCH

- Brooke Ligertwood - Honey in the Rock (with Brandon Lake) (Live Video) | 4 min. 48 sec. | Located at cornerstonewat.com under ‘Study Guides’

READ & DISCUSS

- Read Exodus 34:1-14
- Context: The first five books of the Bible show the development of a nation: Genesis/Conception; Exodus/Birth; Leviticus/Childhood; Numbers/Adolescence; Deuteronomy/Adulthood. In this passage from Exodus, God has rescued His children from 400 years of slavery in Egypt and is beginning the process of parenting them.
 - How does God describe Himself in verses 6-7 and 14?
 - How do those words go together? How do they reflect God’s parenting?
- Read Psalm 86:15; 103:8; 111:4; 145:8
- Context: The Psalmist used this phrase repeatedly in his songs to describe the parent-heart of God.
 - Why do you think these words are repeatedly used to describe God in the Biblical worship?
- Read Joel 2:12-32
- Context: The prophet Joel is writing 800 years before Jesus. The nation has turned its back on God. Joel tells them to turn back to their gracious and compassionate God, talks about God’s desire to provide and protect them, and then shares a prophecy about their future restoration and the outpouring of the Holy Spirit.
 - How do you see God parenting his kids in this chapter?
 - What role does choice play in the plans of God for his kids?

PRACTICE

- Renounce and Affirm: “I renounce the lie that You, Father God, are impatient or angry with me, or have rejected me. I choose to believe the truth that You, Father God, are patient and slow to anger, and that when You discipline me, it is proof of Your love, and not rejection.”