



Immigration / Racism

Member Guide

3-5
minutes

SERMON RECAP: WHAT DID THE TEXT MEAN? WHAT DOES IT MEAN?

In the message this week from Deuteronomy 10:12-19 we learned that God is the owner and ruler over all things, that He is not partial or prejudiced and He requires us to show compassion and share the same hope He has given to us to those who are immigrants.

5-10
minutes

WARM UP

- What are some honest concerns you have about the issue of immigration control?
- If you could rewrite one immigration law what would it say?
- Where did your ancestors migrate from?

15-20
minutes

THE TEXT: WHAT DOES IT MEAN FOR ME?

Read Deuteronomy 10:12-19, and will someone else read Matthew 28:18-20?

- What similarities did you discover between the two passages?
- What do you think God's perspective is concerning boundaries and ownership of land?
- Why do you think 1 Peter 2:11 refers to the believer as "strangers and temporary residents"? How does this perspective help us identify with immigrants who come to America?

Read Romans 13:1-4

- In light of Deuteronomy 10:12-19, Matthew 28:18-20, and Romans 13:1-4, how do these scriptures bring clarity or confusion into our current immigration situation?
- In what ways do you think it is possible to reconcile the ideas of welcoming immigrants and upholding the law?

Read Acts 17:26-27

- Since our nation's government is struggling to make decisions on how to enforce or relax current laws, what is our political responsibility?
- Do we have a responsibility to speak out if human's laws are in opposition to God's laws? If yes, what is the most appropriate way to do this?
- According to these scriptures, what should our attitude be toward the immigrants who are living here?