

SG Discussion Questions

for Personal Study and Small Groups 3/10/13

Matt. 8.1-17

Purpose of SG: to foster in its members the biblical values of worship (God), discipleship (church), and outreach (lost).

2013 Annual Focus: Drawing Near to the Good and Mighty King.

Announcements: (1) Study (6 mo.)/Serve (9 mo.)/Worship switch...Where are you signed up? and (2) 4,000 Steps.

SG Discussion Questions:

Read Matthew 8:1-17. Why do you feel it is important for Matthew to record stories of Jesus performing miracles of healing? What is the purpose of the healings mentioned in these verses? Has anyone ever experienced healing and, if so, what is an appropriate response?

Why is leprosy such a dreaded illness? Is there an area of your life that you need to declare as “unclean” and repent? How would this lead back to an ability to worship?

How do we see God honoring faith in these passages? What is the relationship between faith and healing? What do you think purposes of healing are? How should we respond when healing does not take place?

How do Christians fight against the temptation to highlight the miracle over the miracle worker?

How often do you pray for others? How is faith and intercessory prayer linked together?

What from this passage stands out to you as perhaps a point of application? Are there areas in your life that need further exploration?