

Bethel Bible Study - June 19, 2014 - Faith and the Future

1. Tomorrow. When you think about tomorrow and the kind of God the Bible describes (you know, loving yet just, creative yet unchanging, powerful yet compassionate) what does tomorrow hold for you as an individual? Between now and Judgment Day, are you optimistic or about the future:

2. Assuming for a moment that we are optimistic about tomorrow, what kinds of things would we end up thanking God for after tomorrow had arrived?

3. Let us suppose that tomorrow brought us some problems and heart- aches. What kinds of things could we thank God for in those circumstances? [To answer this question, think of a possible difficult circumstance and imagine what you might be thankful for within it]:

4. Read Psalm 40:1-10. How does David respond to the difficult situation he faced in verse 1? What were some of the things he did as a response to God's response?
 - vs. 3

 - vs. 4

 - vs. 5

- vs. 6

- vss. 7, 8

- vs. 9

- vs. 10

5. This week's focus on care and prayer...

Can you remember the last time you sang a "New Song" to God for the things He has done? Perhaps you have never sung such a song. In our share and prayer time, see if you can discover something that you have never thanked God for before. Make that your "New Song." Share with God in prayer.