

Digging deeper in God's Word (continued).

2. Most of us have had to live with the consequences of other people's bad or sinful decisions. Their choice to use their influence negatively can have a major and often lasting impact on us. How could the following verses help us when we're facing this kind of situation?
 - a. Romans 5:3-4.
 - b. 2 Corinthians 1:3-4.
 - c. 2 Corinthians 4:16-18.
3. In the same way that one person's sin can negatively impact a community, one person's obedience can have a tremendously powerful impact on a group of people. What we do or say will often affect and influence those around us just as it did in Moses' time. King Solomon is another great example of someone who had great influence in his lifetime. What attitudes do you see reflected in Solomon's prayer in 1 Kings 3:7-10 that could help explain why he had such great influence?
 - a. Why do you think those attitudes are important for having a positive influence?

Personal reflection and application.

1. Have everyone share one thing someone else said that struck a chord with you during the discussion.
2. "Stand in the gap" for each other in prayer now.

E X O D U S



"The Power of Intercession"
Pastor Kyle Bonenberger

- » The aftermath of the Golden Calf incident (Exodus 33-34).
 - Exodus 33:
 - Moses' intercession convinced God not to abandon the Israelites.
 - Exodus 34:
 - God has Moses re-write the broken tablets.
 - God renewed His covenant with Moses and the Israelites.
 - God revealed part of His glory to Moses.

- » Three things every Christian needs to affirm about prayer.
 - God knows the _____ but He _____ with us on our _____ and in _____.
| Exodus 32:14, 33:15-17 | Numbers 23:19 | Jonah 3:10 |
| Hebrews 13:8 | James 1:17 |
 - Every believer is called to _____ in the _____ in prayer for others.
| Exodus 33:12-21, 34:28 | John 17:20-21 | 1 Timothy 2:5 |
 - The power of intercession kicks in when Christians do life _____.
| Exodus 33:15-17 | Ecclesiastes 4:9-12 | 1 Corinthians 12:12, 26-27 |
| James 5:16 | 1 Peter 3:12 |

Small Group Questions

What do you think?

What struck a chord with you from Sunday's service?

The story of your life.

1. On Sunday, we saw that Moses had a very close relationship with God. It even says God talked to Moses like a friend. How would you describe your friendship with God at this moment in your life?
2. Pastor Kyle talked about the power of intercession or "standing in the gap" for others in prayer. Tell about a time when someone really supported and held you up in prayer.

Digging deeper in God's Word.

1. The power of prayer is activated when Christians do life together. Unfortunately, we live in a very individualistic society in which many of us function as if we're independent from those around us. In 1 Corinthians 12, Paul uses the human body as an analogy to describe how Christians are to relate to one another. Read 1 Corinthians 12:14-31 and answer the following questions.
 - a. What are some of the things that catch your attention with respect to how God wants us to function as a part of His family?
 - b. Can you think of ways you have benefited from others playing their roles?
 - c. What are some examples of how the body of believers might be hindered when someone isn't willing/wanting to play their role?

