

A Community Chronicle

Who Are We? – 1 Chronicles 1-9

Discussion Points

October 27, 2019

Read & Reflect

1. Read or skim through chapters 1-9:1. Go over these chapters a second time and take the time to pick out names that you recognize. Of those names, what are the stories you associate with those names?
2. Take a look at the genealogies in Matthew 1 and in Luke 3. What are some of the same names that are featured? Why do those names keep coming up?
3. How are each of the three genealogies structured differently to communicate a distinct message? What might that message be in each of them?

Explore

4. Have you ever investigated your own family history/genealogy? How far back can you trace the generations in your family? What are some of the pictures -- either actual photographs or pictures in your mind -- that might tell something of who you are?
5. Have you ever experienced a period of “exile” in your life, when you doubted who you were, or struggled with the worth of who you are? What’s it like to be in that kind of exile, and what’s it like to come out of that kind of wilderness experience?
6. Do you tend to stake your identity on God’s faithfulness (and his promise to be your God and you to be his child) or on your faithfulness (and your level of commitment or enthusiasm)? What are the benefits of either one in living out “who you are?”
7. When do you need to “pull out the family photo album” to remind yourself of the faith that defines you and shapes your life? When, or in what areas of your life, do you most easily forget who you are?

Pray

- Bring God praise and exalt him for who he is (even if you don’t “feel” it).
- Confess to God the times when you have forgotten his faithfulness and given up on yours.
- Give thanks that you are part of the family of God through Jesus Christ
- Give thanks that as part of the family of God you have a distinct calling in this world.

