



THE CHURCH OF THE
RESURRECTION

REZGROUPS DISCUSSION QUESTIONS WEEK OF July 31, 2022

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. **Evening Prayer & Happy Hour**, Fridays in August, 5:30-6:30 pm at Rez. Contact: Caitlin Williams (williamscrs@gmail.com), Hillary Harner (hjlary@gmail.com), and Paul Borchers (paulborchers@yahoo.com) for more information.
2. **Joel Ansett in Concert** with Dan DeCristofaro. Sponsored by Arts at Rez. Sunday, August 28 | Doors open 7:30 pm | Concert 8 pm | Registration is required.
3. **Annual Parish Retreat**: September 2-4, Labor Day Weekend. Please register by Sunday, August 14th.
4. Volunteer coordinator needed for Building Leadership Team
5. We are now welcoming applications for the part-time Children's Ministry Director position. Interested candidates should send a resume and cover letter to Jobs@RezChurch.org.

SCRIPTURE – Proverbs 1

Discussion Questions

1. **The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom. What does this tell us about the nature of wisdom?**
2. **What stands out to you from verses 1-7 and why?**
3. **What lessons can we learn from Solomon's advice in 1:10-19?**
4. **The inevitable consequence of rejecting wisdom is calamity and destruction (vs. 25-27). What are some ways people show that they hate knowledge (vs. 22)**
5. **How does this chapter generally and vs. 23 specifically connect to the gospel?**
6. **What is one thing you will continue to do or do differently as a result of this passage?**

PRAYER

Officiant and People

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Confession of Sin

The Officiant says to the people

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept. Officiant and People together, all kneeling

**Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

Officiant says

May Almighty God grant us forgiveness of all our sins, and the grace and comfort of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Let us pray

Officiant and People

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,**

**on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

Intercessions and thanksgivings follow. Please include the following in your prayer:

Missionary: Matthew and Annie Wilcoxon serving in Australia

- *Pray for young families to come to our 10:00 am service. And young adults/young professionals to come to the new 5:00 service. Pray for community to become deeply rooted.*
- *Pray for us to find more friends who live close to us. Most of the people we are clicking with and want to spend weekend/free time with don't live super close to us and some go to other churches! Trying to balance friendships IN church and outside of church.*

Persecuted Church and her Persecutors: [Burkina Faso](#)

- *Pray for wisdom for the government and its international partners as it seeks to bring an end to Burkina Faso's insecurity.*
- *Pray that the Lord will be at work in the lives of traumatized believers to bring healing and comfort.*

Global Concern: Leaders of Ukraine, Russia, Afghanistan, Ethiopia, Myanmar and other conflict areas.

Church Ministry: Those traveling during the summer, building renovations, non-Christian friends of Rez, those struggling with faith.

A Prayer of St. John Chrysostom
Officiant

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time, with one accord to make our common supplications to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will grant their requests: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in

this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. Amen.

People

Thanks be to God.

The Officiant may then concludes

May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.** Romans 15:13