Get Agrippa

Pastor Tommy Creutz | Acts 12: 20-24

Icebreaker: What would you list as some of your greatest achievements in your life? Why those?

1 Read Acts Chapter 12:20-24 out loud. What part of the text sticks out most to you and why?

2 List out all of the comparisons that you can find in Acts Chapter 12. What's significant about them?

3 Where do we, at times, elevate the names of powerful people (politicians, leaders, etc.) over the Lord Jesus? Why do we struggle with that? Where have you caught yourself placing your trust and hope in other than Christ?

4. Where does pride bubble up in your life? Do you gravitate towards responding like Naaman, King Nebuchadnezzar, or Herod? What are the important differences in their responses?

5. What does it mean actually to humble yourself before the Lord? How can you improve in that this week?

6. When have you been consumed with a challenging snapshot of your life and lost sight of the full picture that God has? How can you live in light of God's sovereignty this week?

Digging Deeper:

God is King over kings and armies: Exodus 10:3 (and ending at the bottom of the sea).

Read 2 Kings 19:35; Isaiah 48:11; Daniel 2:21

For the biblical pattern of God bringing down those that exalt themselves: Genesis 11:4; Proverbs 28:28; Isaiah 14:12-1; Ezekiel 28:2, 9; 1 Peter 5:5; James 4:6; Psalm 138:6; Proverbs 3:34; Proverbs 29:23;

Matthew 23:12; Luke 1:52; James 4:6; 1 Peter 5:5

The Contrast: of the 'voice of a god' [which soon leads to death] vs. the Word of God [which increases/gives life]:

in Acts 2:41, 47; Acts 4:4; Acts 5:14; Acts 6:1, 7; Acts 9:31; Acts 16:6; Acts 19:20.

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