

Talk It Over

Questions are prepared each week and are designed to prompt insights, questions, and the life experience of each listener. If these are used immediately following the sermon, it would be much the same as what was done in Israel at the time of the early church.

For the sake of time, you may want to choose one or two questions.

Week 5 - God Continued Calling

Discuss:

- 1. The construction and function of the Tabernacle emphasizes the importance of details. In your experience, do the details in life matter? Why or why not? Are you a detail-oriented person, or do you tend to overlook the details?
- 2. How does the creation story in Genesis chapter one reflect the order of the universe? What is the significance of viewing the world as an ordered place?
- 3. The Tabernacle reminds the Israelites of an ideal that exists in the midst of real life. Why is it important to live with an ideal? Where do we get our ideals from? How do we keep ourselves aware of our ideals?
- 4. What role does ritual play in life? How do rituals--religious, cultural, individual--help us? Why have rituals played a prominent role in humanity's spiritual, social and personal experience?
- 5. Lent is a spiritual ritual dating back to the early centuries of the church. In what ways could this ritual help you develop a greater sense of order, ideal and detail in your life? What practices could you engage in during this time that would help you more fully align with God's purposes for your life?

Pray:

Take a moment and close in prayer as a group.