

## 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.

1. How does--or should--the present-day church reflect the purpose and function of the ancient tabernacle? What should a person experience in connection with the church that they would have experienced in and through the tabernacle?



- 2. People often comment that they "feel better" after participating in a church gathering. Why do you think this is so? What is it about church that makes a person "feel better"?
- 3. The order of the tabernacle reflected the order of creation. How does creating a small area of order in your world help you feel better about all of life? For example, why does having a clean car make you feel better about life in general?
- 4. How does creating order in your spiritual life give you a greater sense of peace and confidence for facing other areas of your life that are disordered? In what ways is an ordered spiritual life a place to fall back to when confronted with life's chaos?
- 5. God is present everywhere, but the Israelites were helped by locating his presence in the tabernacle. How does our connection with the church help us recognize and engage with the presence of God?
- 6. What ways have you found helpful to stay connected to the church during this past, unusual year? How will you stay connected to the church in the year ahead?

## Pray:

Take a moment and close in prayer as a group.