



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.

Warm Up:

What kind of smart phone do you have? How do you get to your home screen? If you are an iPhone user, was the iPhone 12 confusing to you?

Discuss:

1. Compare your life with the story of the ham (if you didn't hear the sermon, have someone repeat the story). What patterns in your life have you adopted from your parents or your family of origin? Do you agree that we tend to repeat what we have experienced?
2. What was the significance of the Tent of Meeting or the Tabernacle being located in the middle of the Israelite camp? Why was its location important?
3. Why do you think God used the sacrificial system as the means by which the Israelites were to approach him? What was unique about the sacrificial system God presented in the Book of Leviticus (think "understandable" and "accessible")?
4. How did Jesus teach us to approach God? What specific teachings of Jesus can you recall about how to approach God? Browse through one of the gospels and see if the chapter headings remind you of stories Jesus told or principles Jesus taught about how people could access or approach God.
5. What do you think about "taking a walk and having a talk" with God? How can this give your life perspective? How can this reorient your life in a healthy and meaningful way?
6. What practices do you currently use--or what practices would you like to develop--to stay in closer connection with God? How can you regularly return to your "home screen" of life?

Wrap Up:

Share any final thoughts and close in prayer.