

Sermon Discussion Questions for Small Groups

Week of November 19
Sermon Titled: "Awe"

Open in Prayer. Read Acts 2:42-45.

Discussion Questions

1. What had happened in Acts 1 and 2 that led the new believers to such a sense of all-consuming awe?
2. Discuss this week's profession of faith and how it relates to awe:
 - What do you believe when you say, "I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth"?
 - That the eternal Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who out of nothing created heaven and earth and everything in them, who still upholds and rules them by His eternal counsel and providence, is my God and Father because of Christ the Son. I trust God so much that I do not doubt He will provide whatever I need for body and soul, and will turn to my good whatever adversity He sends upon me in this sad world. God is able to do this because He is Almighty God and desires to do this because He is a faithful Father. *Heidelberg Q. 26*
3. Read Psalm 145 together. How does this stir awe and worship in you?

Application Questions

1. Describe the last time you were in awe of God.
2. Paul Tripp writes in his book *Awe*, "Our obsession with material things brings trouble and heartache into our lives. So we tell ourselves that we'll do better—we commit ourselves for a time to new budgets, we go on temporary diets, we hold garage sales. But none of it lasts for long because deep inside us, we treasure the creation more than we treasure the Creator." Discuss this quote together.
3. What stirs your affections for the Lord? How do you kindle awe?

Prayer Focus: Pray for awe to rule your heart in such a profound way that it overflows to your actions. Thank the Lord for His trustworthy character and for ways you have seen His goodness and grace to you.

