Sermon Based Small Group – May 10, 2020

Series: Hostaged by Hope Title: Hope has a Name Scripture: Romans 1:1-8

Introduction

• What's your best memory of your mom and/or being a mom?

Reviewing the Teaching

- What stood out to you in this week's teaching?
- Did anything surprise you during this week's teaching?
- What goes through your mind when you hear we're doing a sermon series on the book of Revelation?
- What is the Primary command in this book? (LOOK 40x!)
- We're all in the same storm... not the same boat. What's the biggest challenge you're facing in the midst of the storm? How does being in this boat make you feel?
- What were the three worlds that Mel spoke about on Sunday? (Street, Mind, and Spiritual) How do each of these three world impact you personally?
- How does this book help us to see the present in light of the unseen realities of the future?
- One of Pastor Mel's lines was "this is not a puzzle book to be decoded, but a picture book to be seen." If you're familiar with the book of Revelation, what's your favourite picture in this book?
- How does this vision help me to see Jesus?
- Sometimes people can feel panicked or overwhelmed with the situations of life, but often things aren't quite like they seem.
 - o When have you found yourself in a situation that wasn't quite like it seemed?
 - What do you think of this Max Lucado quote: "God's not angry. God's not cutting us off. But he's saying, 'Your priorities are misplaced. You're worshipping entertainment and you're worshipping savings accounts [that one hit me] ... And I think what God is saying is, 'I love you but you're going to the wrong place for your fulfillment and satisfaction."

Application

- Have you accepted that kingdom transfer in Jesus?
- How do I need to declare to my heart that Jesus is the only hope I need?
- What would I do ... think ... say this week if I really believed that hope has a name ... Jesus; and hope is not something he gives .. it's who he is ... for me?

Prayer

- For your friends and family who don't yet know Jesus
- For areas of personal growth
- For hope in the midst of difficulty