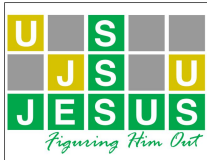


# MARINERS CHURCH



## God at His Best

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### When was God at His best?

#### The Creation of The Universe?

"It is He who made the earth by His power, who established the world by His wisdom, & by His understanding stretched out the heavens." Jeremiah 10:12, 13

#### Breathing Life into Man?

"The Lord God formed the man of dust from the ground & breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, & the man became a living creature." Genesis 2:7

#### The Birth of Jesus?

"There were shepherds out in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And an angel of the Lord appeared to them, & the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were filled with great fear. And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God & saying, 'Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among these with whom He is pleased!'" Luke 2:8, 9, 13, 14

#### During the Miracles of Jesus?

37 miraculous actions that bent the natural way so that God's glory could be seen: Turning water into wine, healing sick people 22 times, driving out evil spirits 3 times, catching fish twice, raising the dead 3 times, feeding enormous crowds twice, calming storms, walking on water, withering a tree

#### The Death of Jesus?

"God did not spare His own Son but gave Him up for us all." Romans 8:32

"God so loved the world, that He gave His only Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life." John 3:16  
Jesus rising from the Dead?

"God raised Him from the dead." Acts 13:30

"Remember Jesus Christ, risen from the dead." 2 Timothy 2:8



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### When God was at His greatest...

"God shows His love for us in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us." Romans 5:8

"If we confess our sins, He is faithful & just to forgive our sins & to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." 1 John 1:9

"I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh & give you a heart of flesh." Ezekiel 36:26

### Talk it Over! For my thoughts and LifeGroup\*

- 1) At what age or stage in your life do you feel you were or will be at your best? Why do you pick that as your best self?
- 2) When you were younger did you have a "dream age" that you thought, "I can't wait to be ---- old. Then life will be really good!" What about that age did you image to be so much better?
- 3) Today Curt spoke about God being at His best. What would you add to the list of the things he said?
- 4) How did you learn about God? Who told you about Him & the things He has done in history?
- 5) If you decided to follow God, what was it about Him (or you) that impacted your decision?
- 6) Together read 1 John 1:5-2:2. Take note of warnings, encouragement/promises & opportunity for personal responses.
- 7) What warnings do you read in these verses?
- 8) How does God encourage His followers here with promises?
- 9) What opportunities for personal response does God give each of us in the verses?
- 10) In what ways can you apply these elements into your life in the next 7 days?
- 11) Who in your family or workplace can you share this study with in the next 30 days?

Close your LifeGroup by praying with each other.

\*A LifeGroup is a group of people who are committed to loving each other and growing through the ups and downs of life. For more information, connect with the church, [marinerschurch@marinerscc.org](mailto:marinerschurch@marinerscc.org)