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Weekly Discussion Guide



Resources

- Watch or listen to Sunday's sermon: abfboone.com/sermons
- Find Life Group resources: <u>abfboone.org/groups/resources</u>

Hosea 6:1-3

[1] "Come, let us return to the LORD; for he has torn us, that he may heal us; he has struck us down, and he will bind us up.

[2] After two days he will revive us; on the third day he will raise us up, that we may live before him.

[3] Let us know; let us press on to know the LORD; his going out is sure as the dawn; he will come to us as the showers, as the spring rains that water the earth."

Sermon Outline:

- I. Let Us Return to the Lord (1-2)
- II. Let Us Press On to Know the Lord (3)
- III. Let Us Respond Today! (Psalm 95)

Life Group Leader Notes:



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- •What were your main takeaways from the sermon in Hosea 6 this Sunday? Were there any other elements of the service that God used in your life?
- •The first word in the text we considered this week is *come*. What does this show us about God's character? How is this different from the message of other religions?
- •We discussed the way that God can sometimes make our lives miserable in order to turn us back to Him. How does this change the way we pray for others who have wandered away? Can you think of Biblical examples of people whose lives were made difficult in order to draw them back? Discuss their responses to those difficulties.
- •Of the verbs discussed in the sermon points (return, press on, respond), where do you hope to challenge yourself the most?
- •In verse 3, Hosea describes the Lord as the first sight of dawn and the warm spring rains. Why is this a good description of the renewal that happens in our lives when we return to the Lord? Describe a time when this renewal happened in your life.
- •In Luke 24, Jesus told his disciples that it was written in the Scriptures (the Old Testament) that the Christ would suffer and rise again on the third day. Can you think of any other passages, types, or examples of resurrection in the Old Testament?
- •In Psalm 95 and Hebrews, we are encouraged to respond *today*. Why is this important? What is often at the root of delayed obedience? How can we keep ourselves sharp and awake to respond quickly?