Reflections on the Character of God

The reflection section has five scriptures that pertain to this week's aspect of God's character. Take one passage a day and reflect on it in the context you find. Note your insights.

The life response sections give you two more verses to ponder. These passages relate to your response to the name, title, or attribute of God. Write down practical responses.

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Reflection: Psalm 27:1; Psalm 104:1-3; John 1:1-13; John 8:12; 1 John 1:5-7
Life Response:
Matthew 5:14-16; Ephesians 5:9-20



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Acts 1:8 KJV

"But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth."

There are two main reasons why the church exists.

DISCIPLESHIP EVANGELISM

The message we share is <u>REPENT</u> and <u>BELIEVE</u> in Jesus as personal Lord and Savior.

Everyone we talk to is going to live somewhere <u>FOREVER</u>.

In the book "Soul Obsession: When God's Primary Pursuit Becomes Your Life's Driving Passion" by Nicky Cruz, he shares there are three things God wants to give to us to help us win souls:

VISION

PASSION

MERCY

Matthew 16:18 KJV

"And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it."

Scriptures

Acts 1:6-11 Romans 10:13-15 Isaiah 6:1-9 2 Kings 6:8-17 1 Samuel 17:45 John 4:28,29, 39-42 Luke 14:12-14, 21-23 Jeremiah 1:5-10, 17-19

Books for reference

Why Revival Tarries - Leonard Ravenhill

Soul Obsession: When God's Primary Pursuit Becomes Your Life's Driving Passion - Nicky Cruz

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Discussion Questions:

- 1) The two main reasons why the church exists are for discipleship and evangelism. Where does the burden/anguish to lead others to Jesus come from? (Time spent with Jesus).
- 2) Someone read Acts 1:8. Is there any place that God won't give us power to witness for him?
- 3) Do you believe God wants to use you to help lead others to Jesus as their personal Lord and Savior?
- 4) The message of repent (turn from sin) and believe (entrust oneself to) in Jesus are both needed when sharing about salvation in Jesus (why?)
- 5) How can one conversation affect more than the person you are speaking to?
- 6) In the book Soul Obsession: When God's Primary Pursuit Becomes Your Life's Driving Passion, Nicky Cruz shares that God wants to give us vision, passion, and mercy. This can be a vision to see God and a lost world, passion for glorifying God and for souls to be saved, and a heart of mercy helping to lead others to God's mercy. Which of the three are you in most need of from God?
- 7) Someone read Luke 14:12-14, 21-23; why is Jesus so passionate about us being born again?
- 8) Someone read Matthew 16:18, why does God give us his power to lead us to places we might not naturally want to go?

Prayer: God let me feel what you feel, see what you see, hear what you hear, and do something about it. Holy Spirit, fill me for your glory and to win others to Jesus. In Jesus' name, amen.