



Trans-form Notes

IMAGES OF GOD The Eternal Nature of God

Reflect: (Spend time with God thinking about these statements or questions)

- ❖ Take some time to read and meditate on Psalm 90:1-3.

Interact: (Discuss the following questions with your group, some friends, or just you and God)

- ❖ Read Psalm 46:9-10. What is the significance of this passage? Why does God say, "My purpose will stand, and I will do all that I please."? What is His purpose? How are we related to that purpose?
- ❖ What do you spend most of your time worrying about? What do you spend most of your time doing? How are you investing in your future? Do any of your answers have eternal value? Why or why not?
- ❖ Read 2 Corinthians 4:8-10, 17 and then read 2 Corinthians 11:23-28. What do you think Paul invested his time, energy, and concerns? How does this apply to us, as followers of Christ and those who are going to live for eternity?
- ❖ There is a line that was used when I was younger as an evangelistic tool; "If you were to die tonight, where would you go?" How does the answer change for you if you are asked, "If you were going to live forever, how would you live?"
- ❖ How does how we live affect what happens in eternity?
- ❖ Read 2 Corinthians 4:18. How can we "fix our eyes on what is unseen"? What is the danger in neglecting the eternal or the unseen?
- ❖ That which we measure in life, becomes more and more important. What do you measure in your life? What are your goals? How does what you measure in your life, guide how you live?

- ❖ That which we do not measure, becomes less important. How do you measure eternal value? Can eternal life be measured by the static nature of numbers alone?

Apply: (Look for ways to apply at least one concept to your life)

- ❖ Spend some time in prayer and describe the life you envision living for eternity. What do you want people to say about you? What do you want your life to reveal?
- ❖ Using this quote from Thomas Merton, try to answer what he is asking you.
*If you want to identify me, ask me not where I live
Or what I like to eat, or how I comb my hair
But ask me what I am living for, in detail and ask me
What I think is keeping me from living fully for the thing
I want to live for?*
- ❖ Ask God when you wake-up, how can I live for you today? At the end of the day ask, how did I do at living for you? What kept me from living fully for you?
- ❖ Spend some time alone and in quiet. Ask the God of Eternity, to help you understand, how you have been created to be eternal.