

06/27/2021 "Overcoming Anxiety"

- 1. Have you had an adventure turn negative or dangerous?
- Why do so many people associate darkness with anxiety or fear?
- 3. What would you say are the top two things that make you anxious?
- 4. Read Ephesians 1:16-23. What's the message of this passage? Why is it important?
- 5. What truth does Paul state has been revealed or illuminated?
- 6. Can you think of a time when you've had a new way of thinking about God or faith? What initiated it?
- 7. Pastor Matt mentioned five things that Jesus illuminated. Which one resonated or stood out to you most?
 - i. Jesus illuminated the generosity of the Father (Lk 5:1-7; Mt 6:25-34).
 - ii. Jesus illuminated what God really wants (Mt 9:12-13; Zeph 3:17).
 - iii. Jesus illuminated the true value of every human (Lk 4:18-21; 9:46-48).
 - iv. Jesus illuminated the true nature of death (Rom 8:38-39; Jn 11:25-27).
 - v. Jesus illuminated what it means to be truly human (Eph 4:20-24).
- 8. Is there one that speaks to something you currently feel anxious about?
- 9. Can you identify a lie that you have believed that has led to anxious thoughts, what is the truth that combats that lie?
- 10. How can you position yourself to better see and grasp the truth illuminated by Jesus' life, death and resurrection?
- 11. If our lives are always moving in the direction of our strongest thoughts, what can you do this week to strengthen your thoughts in the truth of God?