



REALife Application

Use the following questions this week to reflect on what it would mean to align yourself with the truths taught in Scripture. Each question is meant for both personal reflection and as a catalyst for discussion with your family, friends, or REALife Group.

***Consider the Alternative Hebrews 12:18-29**

The dread of an **“earn it”** future:

- Impersonal
- Terrifying
- Distant

The anticipation of an **unbelievable** future.

- 1) Living at **God’s House**.
- 2) Over the top **joy**.
- 3) Your **name** in His Book.
- 4) A Pardon from **“The”** Judge.
- 5) Hanging with **Daniel**?
- 6) **Hosted** by Jesus.
- 7) Good Word: **Grace**

Application:

- 1) An ungrateful Christian is an **oxymoron**.
- 2) Choosing **ingratitude** is choosing second best.
- 3) Gratefulness is the **avenue** to experiencing God.

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- 1) How often do you think about the coming Kingdom of God and your place in it? What kinds of things are most often on your mind? Does this affect your gratitude?
- 2) Read Exodus 19:18 and 20:18-19. What was God communicating to the nation of Israel at the giving of the law? What would it be like to live under the law?
- 3) Read Revelation 21-22. Which of the promises of the future kingdom excite you most? Why do you need to review those promises often?

Weekly Challenge:

This week take a moment each day to write down one aspect of the kingdom that you are looking forward to. Be prepared to share one of these at your Thanksgiving meal.

Memory Verse:

*Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us be thankful, and so worship God acceptably with reverence and awe,
Hebrews 12:28*