Message Outline

CP the Sequel: Wilderness Run

Ex.2:1-3:10, 1 Sam.23:15-24:22, Mt.4:1-12

Intro: Pairing coasters with Bible characters...

- Last week, Power Tower between Adam and Christ (cf. Rom.5:12ff.)...
- This week, Wilderness Run...
- Wildernesses in the journey of faith...

Read: Exodus 2:1-3:10

v.1-10—Dangerous world...basket safer than bassinet!

- v.11—Remembering roots...
- v.12-15a—What's been done force the run...
- v.15b—Wildernesses walked thru...
- v.16-3:1—Still in/settling in wilderness...
- v.1-6—Burning bush experience...
- Burning symbolism and purifying the past.
- v.7-10—From the wilderness to deliverance...

Read: 1 Samuel 18:6-9, 23:15-24:22

18:6-9—Envy and insecurity...

23:15-18—Saul seeking to kill David; his son seeks to encourage David!

- v.19-24:3—Close calls in the wilderness...
- v.4-15—Integrity and loyalty of David...
- v.16-22—Saul's repentance for the moment...

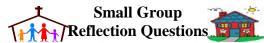
Read: Matthew 4:1-12

- v.1-2—Jesus led into the wilderness by God and practicing the spiritual disciplines...
 - AKA He's doing everything right and still in a wilderness!
- v.3-11—Reversing the curse (cf. Gen.3)...

Mapping the Wilderness

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(Please take time to ponder and pencil in to prep for this week's small group session.)

Read: Acts 2

*What do you observe about the early church in Acts?

*What spoke to you this past Sunday (ie. what made you laugh, learn, look deeper at life etc.)?

*Have you ever had a "Wilderness Experience"? How did you know God was there?

*At the burning bush Moses seemed to undergo a transformation from having an idea about God to experiencing God. Have you had a "burning bush" experience? Explain.

*Can you think of a person who defines integrity? Who is it and why did you choose them?

*David showcased great integrity in 1Sam.24. Can you think of a time when you did the right thing when others may have been pushing you not to? Share.

*One of the points in the sermon was that God's care packages often come in the form of Christian community. Have you ever found yourself encouraged by a fellow Christian in the midst of crucible in life? Who and how?

<u>Weekly Challenge</u>: Choose someone to invite to Friend Day. Write their name here: