



## 2 Chronicles 7:13-14 | Josh Baer | Sunday, July 5

\*Spend a few minutes in casual fellowship before starting the Deeper meeting.

### 1. A time of praise and reflection

- What are you thankful for today? **or** What can you praise God for in your life right now?
- (Internal Questions) Were you obedient to God last week? Did you discuss last week's message with anyone?

### 2. Biblical Engagement | A Deeper Look at 2 Chronicles 7:13-14

- **One person read** out loud with everyone looking at a copy of Scripture.
- **Discuss what this passage means based upon the sermon.** Put this passage in your own words, or read a Bible paraphrase like *The Message* (available online or in YouVersion).
- **Take the next 15-20 minutes to discuss and apply truths from this week's sermon.**
  - Josh brought our attention to the moral decay of our land and the need for God to heal it. What can we do, as followers of Christ, to help bring healing to America?
  - **Humility.** We cannot come to God with pride in our hearts. The root of nearly every sin we have is pride.
    - *What can cause us to have pride?*
    - *All blessings come from God. Discussing them helps destroy our pride. What are some blessings you have from God in your life right now?*
  - **Hunger.** A hunger for God is the desire to know him more and live according to his truth. God has made us for relationship with him. Anything else is a false relationship - those things will never satisfy.
    - *What can keep us from having a hunger for God?*
    - *Fake food doesn't provide sustenance. What can be "fake food" to us spiritually?*
  - **Holiness.** There is no other way to true holiness that turning from our wicked ways. Every way that is not God's way is a wicked way.
    - *We cannot make ourselves holy. It is a work of Jesus Christ in our lives. How can we submit to his leadership in our lives?*
    - *Righteousness comes from the Holy Spirit of God working in your life. **Internal question:** are you closer to God now than you were a year ago?*

### 3. Obedience to God

- What must you do to be obedient to God concerning the message today? (Make an "I will" statement.)
- Who do you know that needs this message?

### 4. Praying Together

- What is an immediate need you have?
- Is there someone you know who needs prayer right now?
- What is an area of weakness, a burden, or a concern that we can pray with you about?