

For the week of November 19, 2017

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New Heart

Tenth week in the series: *Knowing the God of Justice and Hope*

Ezekiel 36

The prophet Ezekiel preached a lot and got no results, but he's given a decidedly different message to preach in Ezekiel 36, one that contains hope that his countrymen will at last be responsive to the Lord. Change—positive change in the lives of human beings—is possible, more than possible. How does it come about?

Discussion Questions:

1. What do you think it looks like for you to “draw near” to God in “full assurance of faith”? (Hebrews 10:19-22)
2. Paul says this in Romans 5:5: “God’s love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.” Do you think you have experienced this? If so, how?
3. Jan Johnson says this: “You do the connecting [with God]; he does the perfecting.” How do you think you might connect with God?
4. The Holy Spirit inspires both individual and shared relationships with God. How have you experienced relationship with God together with other people?