

Beauty From Ashes

Week 2 – April 25/26

Scripture: Deuteronomy 8

Grab your Bible and a few people to connect with. Look up the verses below and share your thoughts.

Share: When you were a kid did you make the same mistake over and over? Share your funny story with the group.

Read Deuteronomy Chapter 8: Pay special attention to how many times the words “remember” and “don’t forget” are used. There is emphasis on what it will look like when the people go back to living in a “normal” and “prosperous” society; a plea to not forget the lessons learned in the wilderness.

Discuss: Many of us have learned some lessons during this time of quarantine. This abrupt change in schedule has definitely given us the time to focus on what’s really important in life. God is like that – He brings beauty from ashes. He redeems something that is bad and brings good from it. God never wastes a hurt or struggle.

Are there any ways God has been shifting your perspective during this season?

Do you think your calendar might reflect different priorities “post quarantine”? How?

What are some things you can do right now to live out who God is calling you to be?

Prayer: Ask each other to share what is on your hearts today. Thank the Lord for bringing beauty from ashes. Ask Him to teach us during this strange season and protect our hearts from isolation and fear. Ask God your tough questions and be willing to hear what He whispers.

Question for Kids and Families: In Deuteronomy chapter 8 Joshua leads the Israelites out of the wilderness after 40 years of being stuck there. Joshua warns the people not to forget the lessons they learned during that time. Are there any lessons you are learning while you are stuck in your house right now? God sometimes uses hard times to teach us something. Share your thoughts with your family.