

## Small Group Questions: 35 Years At Seacoast

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### Read

Exodus 20:2, Malachi 3:6, Acts 1:8, Hebrews 13:8

### Reflect

When God gave Moses the Ten Commandments, he declared “I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery.” God was reminding them of who he was and what he had done for them as he was establishing the law.

Pastor Ryan Scott highlights three ways that remembrance is an integral part of the faith of the believer.

#### 1. Thankful For The Past

- a. How does it enhance our understanding of God to know not only his identity but also stories of what he has done?
- b. Give examples of words that describe his identity or character (ex. Father, Creator)
- c. What character trait of God are you thankful for in this season of your life, and how is that character trait revealed in a story from Scripture? From your life experience?

#### 2. Engaged In The Present

- a. How can you grow your faith regardless of a current challenge in your life?
- b. What attribute of God’s character do you need right now? (ex. Comforter, Healer, Waymaker)
- c. Read Acts 1:8, spoken by Jesus to his disciples right before the ascension. How would our lives change if we heard this verse for the first time, as something that was going to happen in early 2024?

#### 3. Confident In The Future

- a. How can the modern church model the early church?
- b. How can the stories of yesterday, whether from Scripture, our own lives, or the lives of others, help us gain confidence for the future?
- c. What specifically can you do as an individual or a small group to enhance God’s Kingdom within the church?
- d. Why do you think we lack confidence in the future? How can you create a mindset of hope?

**Respond:** Where is God leading you? How can your small group support you?