

SMALL GROUP SERMON SUMMARY QUESTIONS

Watch the video summary of the **August 18, 2013 Sermon** (3.5 minutes). Please read the sermon passage (2 Chronicles 34) together out loud.

Small Group Questions (2 Chronicles 34:22-33)

1. In what ways has a “rediscovery” of God’s Word caused you to humble yourself before the Lord? Would you say your preferences and convictions are dictated more by the Word of God, or your own preferences? In what ways has the Word of God informed and changed your preferences?
2. We must keep mercy and justice closely tied to God’s holiness. What errors in thinking and living occur when we disconnect **JUSTICE** from God’s holiness? (Anything goes, or “anti-nomianism (“no law”)). What errors in thinking and living occur when we disconnect **MERCY** from God’s holiness? (We lose the message of repentance and a call to the true gospel in a sea of kindness. We fall into the error of “Preach the gospel always, use words if necessary.” We serve the physical needs of people (only), but neglect the greater need of their soul.)
3. We each have a tendency to emphasize “Holiness” or “Grace” when it comes to living. What is your tendency? How should you become more balanced?
4. Josiah, the king, places himself in a position of being able to minister the Word of God through credibility. That is, as he read and heard God’s Word, he displayed a total allegiance to it. Are you credible in your position of “total allegiance”? Why or why not?
5. There are multiple responses to God’s Word including an “external allegiance” to it, and a “temporary allegiance” to it. How do you come to peace with this reality? How does this reality impact your prayer life?