HOPE CHURCH

Weekly Sermon Based Discussion Questions

March 8, 2026

DIGGING DEEPER:

1. Have you ever found yourself serving Jesus not for Jesus, but for the approval or affirmation of people?

2. Before you answer examine your heart… Do you most often look at other people like a condemning Pharisee or like a compassionate Jesus?

Do you believe that happens primarily because of self-righteousness, or because of family history making it a learned behavior?

3. What is the fundamental difference between keeping rules and practices FOR relationship with Jesus, and keeping rules and practices BECAUSE OF a relationship with Jesus?

4. In this week's passage Jesus experienced anger. What is righteous anger and what are some things that should make us angry?

5. The Pharisees changed the definition of Sabbath. What are some examples of legalism based on non biblical standards or altered definitions?

6. What does it mean to find our rest in Jesus and what are some things we can rest from when we truly know Jesus?