Point Group Notes

Getting to know you...

- 1. WOW Can you believe that Summer is already over? Fill us in! Name one "Highlight" and one "Valley" from your summer.
- 2. What are you looking forward to with Point Group Season this year?
- 3. What have you been reading/studying in God's word this summer? What have you been learning? If you have room for growth! BE HONEST! We're all friends here!

Quick Review – Did Pastor John say anything that stood out to you? Were you left with any questions?

Digging Deeper...

Pastor John walked us through the reality that we are still used for ministry *despite* our past. Jesus has the power to redeem! He has the power to heal! He is IN CHARGE! We will quickly look at another spot in scripture where God's power of redemption is on display. Read the passage below and answer the questions on the back of this sheet.

Psalm 40:1-3 ESV

I waited patiently for the Lord;
he inclined to me and heard my cry.
 He drew me up from the pit of destruction,
out of the miry bog,
and set my feet upon a rock,
making my steps secure.
 He put a new song in my mouth,
a song of praise to our God.
Many will see and fear,
and put their trust in the Lord.



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- 1. This passage sets a narrative of someone who is not doing all that well and then, in v3, is able to praise God! What do you see when you compare v1 and v3?
- 2. What two things did the author do in v1 that we can learn from? Why are these skills worth knowing and developing?
- 3. Who is doing the work in v2? What is it that they are doing?
- 4. We often pray that God would "make it stop" or "take it away," but we see here that the author is *moved* from a mud pit to a solid footing. How is this result different?

Taking it Home...

- 1. What part of v1 are you struggling with the most? The crying out? (Praying) or the waiting patiently?
- 2. Read Matthew 7:24-27. How does what Jesus teaches in Matthew 7 relate to what's being said in Psalm 40?
- 3. When you look at v3 what's the result of this renewal God promises? How does this relate to what Pastor John was talking about this Sunday?
- 4. As you contemplate how you'll apply this week's idea to your life... How can we pray for you?