

## “Grounded in Gratitude”

Deuteronomy 26:1-11

- What are you most grateful for?
- As a group re-read the scripture
- What does “first fruits” mean to you?
  - What are some first fruits that you should be giving to God?
- JD asked if we care or even think about historic events. “Do you care?” he asked. As the Israelites prepared to cross into the land God promised, Moses had them remember their history.
  - What or who has shaped your Christian life?
  - How are you shaping others?
- The word *Lucky* is not something you want to say to JD. He calls it an affront to the one who created everything, including us. It says that He is not in control and that randomness is greater than He is.
  - What do you think about the word “Luck”?
  - How seriously do we take the idea of insulting God when we use that word?
- When we visit places like Paris, London, or other cities abroad and here in the States you get souvenirs and you go home. When you reach the “Promised Land” you *are* home.
  - What does home mean to you?
  - How is being with God in relationship and communion like being home?
  - Who can you invite into this home?
    - What’s stopping you from doing it?
- How will you live differently because of this week’s sermon?