## **Invitation**

Exodus24:12-18 2 Peter 1:16-21

What are some of the most amazing things you've ever seen?

- What as all this advancement / technology done for us and to us? It has made us look at God like we look at out oven. TV. Computer.
  - What has it done to your relationship with God?

God led Abraham into difficulty and challenge. He commanded Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego into the furnace. He led Daniel into the Lion's Den. God is inviting us to things that are not easy, convenient or even safe.

How does that make you feel?

We meet with God best when we're alone, thirsty and in need. Not when we're resting, comfortable and satiated.

- How do you meet with God?
- When is it difficult for you to meet with Him.

God called Moses to the mountain, then for 6 days Moses waited.

- How do you wait on God?
- What are you doing when waiting?
- What do you do when he calls you?

JD says it always seemed wrong to prepare for lent by partying down, by participating in something like Mardi Gras in places like New Orleans and Rio.

- How do you prepare for Lent?
- Do you see Lent as a time of fasting, and denial of self or as an inconvenience, or is it meaningless to you?

Israel looks a lot like Omaha according to those that have experienced it. The same, except for the places that Jesus did his miracles. Where you can stand and hear "this is where Jesus spoke the Sermon on the Mount." Or, "This is where Jesus walked onto a boat and preached." Yet we know that God is in all things, and everywhere we need Him.

- How have you seen God at work in your life?
- What makes Omaha transform for you into a place of miracles?