

Crossroads Connection

Hosea 11:3-9

Matthew 16:21-28

What's the biggest city you have ever been to?

Re-read the Scriptures again as a group.

JD told the story of Hachika the dog and his faithful waiting. His owner would go to work on the train each day and he would wait for the return. One day the owner died at work and never returned. Hachika stayed at the station waiting and waiting.

- What are you waiting for God to do in your life?
- What choice are you waiting to make?

We heard about the Crossroad Connections service and how we interact with those that are leaving prison. We too were prisoners and slaves to sin. We were released from that prison.

- Who was there with you?
- How did you feel about them in that time?
- Who can you help in a time like that?

Hosea shows us that God didn't have to love us. He doesn't have to stay faithful even when we are not. We may seek out something that we want to replace God, but He will never leave us even though He can.

- How does it make you feel knowing that God loves you after considering not loving you?

JD admits he doesn't know much about love. But he sees it in young couples getting married, and he sees it in the time when one spouse passes away. He challenges us to love in the way God loves us.

- How will you do that this week and beyond?