

The Great Discovery

Reading: Acts 17:26 (Good News Translation)

Texts: Acts 17:26, Psalm 139:1-7, 13 – 16, 23-24.

Theme: A sermon on Discovery in blooming where we are planted
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Q. What is God’s intention for the faith community and the family?

For one, God has the **generations in view** that **one generation would pass on the faith** (about God’s faithfulness) **& blessing to the next generations even to the fourth generation.** (Deut. 4:8-9; Ex. 10:2; 13:8, 14).¹

Q. Why is flourishing in the Chinese church an important question.

1) What is a Church:

List several biblical things that would define what a church is:

Q. Why might my paying attention to where God has providentially placed me be important?

2) Providential Planting

Psalm 139:1-7, 13 – 16, 23-24.

Acts 17:26 (Good News Translation)

“From one man he made every nation of men, that they should inhabit the whole earth; and he determined the times set for

¹ Deuteronomy 4:9 (34), Deuteronomy 6:1-2; 32:7 (34), Job 8:8-10; Psalm 22:30-31; 78:5-7 (35), Psalm 102:18; 145:4; 3 John 4 (36).

them and the exact places where they should live. God did this so that men would seek him and perhaps reach out for him and find him, though he is not far from each one of us.”

3) Grow in Knowing God

4) Grow in understanding your God-given roots

The privileges: _____

The Benefits: _____

5) BE equipped

Clue: _____

2 Peter 1:5 “make every effort to add to your faith...”
(The Message: “So don’t lose a minute in building on what you’ve been given...”)

6) You and the Mission of God in the Chinese church

“The church’s mission is to show the world what it looks like when a community of people lives under the reign of God” (Webber 2002).

7) Conclusion:

Deuteronomy 8:2 “You shall remember all the way which the Lord God has led you.”

John 14:12 “...anyone who has faith in me will do what I have been doing [and] even greater things.”

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