**“In This Present Moment”**

**Nov 25/26, 2023**

**Speaker: Matt Price**

**Opening:** [15 mins] We suggest you begin with an opening prayer and then a brief “catch up” or “icebreaker” before moving into the *scripture reflection* and *application questions*.

**Scripture Reflection:** [20 mins]Read **Romans 8:38-39 (NLT).** After allowing the group time to reflect on the passage, ask them to share what most stands out to them.

**Application Questions:** [40 mins](*These questions will help you and your group dig deeper into the weekend sermon. Feel free to edit or use only those which fit your allotted time.)*

1. Matt shared, *“Trust that the God who covers your past and holds your future is present and active in this present moment.”*
   1. Share how easy or difficult you find it to trust in God’s activity in your life in the present moment? Why?
2. Matt encouraged, *“Learn to cultivate a consistent awareness and reliance upon God in every moment.”*
   1. What are some of the things you are facing in your life that make it a challenge to have a consistent awareness and reliance on God?
   2. What are some potential ways for you to cultivate a greater awareness and reliance on God?
3. Matt said, *“Practice offering whatever grace is needed in the moment.”*
   1. What potential opportunity for grace are you standing in right now (ex. sharing Jesus with someone in your circle, etc?)
4. Matt finished his sermon by asking the following questions. How would you answer?
   1. Are you living through your days wishing you could change yesterday, or fearing tomorrow?
   2. Do you believe that there is some glory yet to be revealed in your future so that right now you can look for how God is already active in this present moment?

**Closing & Prayer**: [15 mins]

* Have each person in your group share a prayer request, and then have someone pray for them.
* Pray that the CA church family would live in the grace of “this present moment”.
* Pray that God would continue to bless and grow CA’s 2023 “in person” attendance.