



**Questions for further study
May 13th 18**

**Encountering God by
getting involved in causes
close to God's heart**

1. Read the passage we studied on Sunday morning that gives Moses as an example from the Bible of someone who's profound encounter with God was as he was called to fight for a great cause. Exodus 3:7-10
 - i) What stands out to you from this passage?
 - ii) What did this calling lead to – think about this from Moses' perspective, the people of Israel at the time and then through their history.
 - iii) How does this fit in with the major theme through the Bible about redemption?

2. What "causes" do you think are on God's heart? e.g. Genesis 2:15; Matthew 28:16-20; Galatians 6:6-10; James 1:27; Revelation 15:3-4; Revelation 21:1-5. Give examples from your own, or others experience, about how being involved in these areas has deepened relationship with God.

3. Do these statements ring true for you – or of someone else in your group?
- No matter how tired I get, I usually come alive when a challenge is placed before me.
 - People around me know how passionate I feel about the causes I'm involved in.
 - I sense the presence of God most when I am doing his work.
 - "When the going gets tough, the tough get going"—that's true about me.
 - I get tremendous satisfaction from seeing people working together to achieve a goal.
 - I get frustrated with people's apathy in the face of injustice.
 - I should probably take more time to slow down, but I really love what I do, especially ministry.

If so, what are you intentionally doing to keep this aspect of your spiritual life strong?

What cautions come with seeing our service a way to encounter God?

4. How do you think our "getting involved in causes close to God's heart" become encounters with God?

Spend time in prayer – expressing your availability to God, and asking that you would stay teachable.

Pray for particularly for causes you are involved in, give to or pray for regularly.

Pray particularly for the 24/7 prayer week this week (and right round the country).

Continue to pray for the volunteers needed for Fun Day (the list is creeping up ... but pray for others!)