

May 16, 2021 Guest Speaker: Jim Cymbala

Background

This morning we welcome a long-time friend of First Orlando, Jim Cymbala, to encourage us from God's Word. Jim has served as pastor of the Brooklyn Tabernacle since 1971, where he and his wife Carol lead the world-renown Brooklyn Tabernacle Choir. The Cymbalas have three grown children and nine grandchildren. We are so thankful to hear from Jim this morning and we pray God continues to bless the ministry at Brooklyn Tabernacle.

Service Notes



What is your biggest takeaway from today's message?



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DISCUSSION GUIDE

Instructions

This discussion guide is to help you facilitate a conversation with your small group. The "Getting Started" section serves as a quick opener and introduction to the group conversation. In the "Talk it Over" section, feel free to use all or only some of the questions. Again, our hope is to have meaningful and encouraging conversations around the passage used in the sermon, not simply answer all the questions. Give each member of your group opportunity to respond. Take your time. Finally, the "Live it Out" section is to help identify a specific next step. Use these questions as a guide to find practical ways to apply the passage to our everyday life.

Getting Started

▼ What were some highlights for you this past week? What is something God continued to bring to your mind over the last few days? How can the group pray for you?

Talk it Over

- What stood out to you in this week's message? What challenged you? What prompted questions? What part of the message resonated the most with you? What was the most practical insight? What is one step you can take this week to apply what you heard?
- As you reflect on the message, what did you learn about who God is? What is one thing you can learn about yourself? What is one way the message revealed our need for Jesus and what Jesus has done on our behalf?
- Over the course of the last few weeks, our church has been a series called "One Another." We've discussed loving one another (1 John 4:7-12); bearing with and forgiving one another (Colossians 3:12-14); encourage and build up one another (Ephesians 4:29; 1 Thessalonians 5:11); and show hospitality and serve one another (1 Peter 4:8-11). Which one of these "one another" passages has been the most helpful, challenging, or encouraging to you? What have you learned about yourself and your relationship with God?

Live it Out

▼ Who is one person this week you believe God is calling you to pray for specifically this week? Is there a need the group can join with you in prayer?