



ASCENT: The Upward Look #4 **Sunday, Sept 11, 2022** **Gahanna campus**

WELCOME (15 minutes)

- **Ice Breaker:** Describe your past week in weather terms. (Was it stormy, cloudy, foggy, mostly sunny or what?)

WORSHIP (10 minutes)

- Before singing, have someone read aloud Genesis 22:14. Take note that one of God's names is **Jehovah Jireh** meaning "The Lord will provide."
- Then using your favorite streaming service, sing together "Jireh" by Maverick City Worship. Lyrics on the back (*Be aware: The Elevation Worship version is longer*)

WIN (15 minutes)

- Use your PRAYER BOARD to talk about the people you are praying to come to know Jesus as Savior.
- PRAY for them & PLAN something fun to do as a group to invite them to.

WORD (25 minutes)

1. Read aloud Psalm 133. Name the various reasons why unity amongst Christian believers really is a good thing. Give your input about what was shared about what unity is and isn't.
2. Have someone read 2 Corinthians 5:16-21. What does it mean to regard no one "from a worldly perspective" How is focusing on our earthly differences rather than our spiritual similarities a form of regarding others from a worldly perspective?
3. Read aloud Psalm 134. How does the call to lift up your hands point to the fact that worship should involve our whole being? How does or doesn't this apply to your engagement in worship?
4. What does it mean to be blessed by God? How have you experienced His blessings? How is Jesus the ultimate blessing from God?
5. How good are you at blessing others? Do those around you think of you as an encourager and edifier? (Read 1 Thessalonians 5:11 and Ephesians 4:29)

WORKS (25 minutes)

- Break down into smaller units of 2 or 3s to pray with and for each other!

“Jireh” by Maverick City Music

I'll never be more loved than I am right now

Wasn't holding You up

So there's nothing I can do to let You down

It doesn't take a trophy to make You proud

I'll never be more loved than I am right now, oh

Going through a storm but I won't go down

I hear Your voice

Carried in the rhythm of the wind to call me out

You would cross an ocean so I wouldn't drown

You've never been closer than You are right now

Jireh, You are enough

Jireh, You are enough

And I will be content in every circumstance

You are Jireh, You are enough

Forever enough

Always enough

More than enough

I don't wanna forget how I feel right now

On the mountaintop

I can see so clear what it's all about

So stay by my side when the sun goes down

Don't wanna forget how I feel right now (Jireh)

Jireh, You are enough

Jireh, You are enough (so I will be)

I will be content in every circumstance

Jireh, You are enough

If He dresses the lilies with beauty and splendor

How much more will He clothe you?

How much more will He clothe you?

If He watched over every sparrow

How much more does He love you?

How much more does He love you?

If He dresses the lilies with beauty and splendor

How much more will He clothe you?

How much more will He clothe you?

If He watched over every sparrow (don't you worry!)

How much more does He love you?

(Our Father loves you)

How much more does He love you?

(How much more?)

How much more does He love you?

(How much more?)

How much more does He love you?

(How much more?)

How much more does He love you?

(How much more?)

How much more does He love you?

(How much more?)

How much more does He love you?

Jireh, You are enough

Jireh, You are enough

And I will be content in every circumstance

Jireh, You are enough

Jireh, You are enough

Jireh, You are enough

And I will be content in every circumstance

Jireh, You are enough

And I will be content (yes) in every circumstance

Jireh, You are enough