

Pennsylvania Academy of Ministry

Church History

Opening Devotions

Greeting:

Scripture Reading

Deuteronomy 4:32-35

For ask now about former ages, long before your own, ever since the day that God created human beings on the earth; ask from one end of heaven to the other: has anything so great as this ever happened or has its like ever been heard of? Has any people ever heard the voice of a god speaking out of a fire, as you have heard, and lived? Or has any god ever attempted to go and take a nation for himself from the midst of another nation, by trials, by signs and wonders, by war, by a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, and by terrifying displays of power, as the LORD your God did for you in Egypt before your very eyes? To you it was shown so that you would acknowledge that the LORD is God; there is no other besides him.

Reflection: Is the history of the church helpful in our understanding of how our churches operate today? Give an example

Prayer

Closing Benediction

IN Unison: We leave this place not as people who have all the answers. We leave this place not as people who are holier than others. We leave this place as people who have been shown a grace, a calling and a Savior who has changed our lives forever. We're filled with a joy that's too great to be kept to ourselves. Go forth as children of God. Amen.