## Our Lutheran Moment: Why Now Is a Good Time



## for Us to Be Doing What We Do Best

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## Part One Discussion Questions

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- 1. Prior to watching the video segment, what would you have identified as our culture's number one obsession? Why?
- 2. In what ways have you encountered this obsession with righteousness culturally? Personally?
- 3. Pastor Bauer said, speaking as our culture, "We need a narrative that explains the world we live in, and in which our characters are the righteous ones." What's interesting about that statement, especially in light of the Bible Study we finished on Ecclesiastes last week?
- 4. What makes this pursuit of righteousness so exhausting, both culturally and spiritually?
- 5. In what ways has this idea also infiltrated the Christian Church? Why is that attractive to so many people? Why is it a big problem?
- 6. How are we as Lutherans uniquely suited to meet this human/cultural obsession with righteousness?