

life together

SMALL GROUP
DISCUSSION GUIDE

Main point from Sunday's sermon:

God's love for us in Christ gives us unwavering confidence for every moment of our lives! Now let's RECAP:

Re-Read

Re-read 2 Corinthians 6:1-7:1. As you do, highlight what you think are the key sentences or phrases. You'll come back to those as you evaluate the main point of the passage shortly.

Evaluate

Using the key statements, sentences, or phrases you highlighted, determine as a group what you think the big idea is.

The main points from Sunday's sermon were:

1. Take confidence in the grace of God as you progress (6:1-2)
2. Take confidence as a servant of God as you persevere (6:3-13)
3. Take confidence in the promises of God as you purify (6:14-7:1)

Spend a few minutes connecting the text and the main points. Where in the text do you see the above statements and points?

Citations from the Church

"Grace is opposed to earning, not effort," Dallas Willard.

Do you agree with this quote? Why or why not? What do you think Dallas means? Does this encourage or discourage you in your walk as a believer?

"Christianity is based on the truth that sinners need a Savior, not merely a coach or therapist," Al Mohler.

What do you think Mohler is driving at with this quote? What do you think is the difference he's trying to make with his statement? How does this cut across many in our contemporary culture who simply think Jesus is simply our cheerleader?

Application or Advancing the Gospel

In 6:1, Paul says we "work together with Him." What does that mean? Salvation is entirely of God but our sanctification is in cooperation with God. How does Philippians 2:12-13 fit with this? What are some examples of you "working together with Him" or "working out your salvation"?

In light of verses 4-8, how is our frailty an opportunity to display His faithfulness? What are some examples of this in your own life? Is this easy or hard for you?

In verses 8-13 there are 6 "yet" statements. Which of these most resonates with you and your life? Why? Remember, the Christian life is one full of confident "yets" because of the gospel. Which of these would you find most difficult to walk through? Why? Spend some time praying for each other in light of each other's answers.

What's the significance of being the "temple of the living God" in verse 16? How does that impact the statements in 6:14-7:1 we are to follow? How does God taking up residence in us change how you live?

Praise

I raise a hallelujah, in the presence of my enemies,
I raise a hallelujah, louder than the unbelief, I raise
a hallelujah, my weapon is a melody, I raise a
hallelujah, heaven comes to fight for me.

I'm gonna sing, in the middle of the storm, Louder
and louder, you're gonna hear my praises roar. Up
from the ashes, hope will arise, Death is defeated,
the King is alive!

I raise a hallelujah, with everything inside of me, I
raise a hallelujah, I will watch the darkness flee, I
raise a hallelujah, in the middle of the mystery, I
raise a hallelujah, fear you lost your hold on me!

"Raise a Hallelujah" by Bethel Music