

easter service

THE MOST IMPORTANT QUESTION EASTER 2013

ICEBREAKER: What's something you should throw away but can't? Explain.

OVERVIEW: Welcome to Home Group! Each week we will dig deeper into Sunday's sermon, working together to fully understand and apply the message to our daily lives. Over the next ten weeks, keep the following tips in mind as you seek to get the most out of your Home Group experience. Remember, as with anything in life, you will get out of Home Group what you put into it.

- a. Listen to the sermon.
- b. Take good notes on your worship guide.
- c. Fill out your D-Guide (this discussion guide) before you come.
- d. If you are unfamiliar with the Bible, bookmark the verses in the D-Guide so that you can find them quickly in Home Group.
- e. Bring your Bible, D-Guide, worship guide, and a pen to Home Group.
- f. Write down detailed prayer requests from the group prayer time and then pray for your group members during the week.

1. What insight, principle, or observation from this weekend's message did you find to be the most helpful, eye-opening, or troubling? Explain. (Or what was your key takeaway from Sunday's message?)
2. Compare Ephesians 2:8-9 with Titus 3:4-7. What are the similarities and differences? What is unique about each? What is the big idea of each? Which is your favorite and why?
3. Read Galatians 2:21. What are some ways that people treat the grace of God meaningless?

4. How is it possible to believe in Jesus but go to hell?
5. How does a chair help explain "saving faith"?
6. If you can, briefly explain the gospel using the phrase "*Do Versus Done*"?
7. Read Romans 6:12-13. What is the big idea in this passage? If salvation is not by works or by performance, then why does God command righteous living? List all the reasons God commands righteous living that you can come up with.
7. If we are not saved by being good, then why not give in to sinful living? Wouldn't that be easier, more fun, and acceptable?
8. How does the doctrine of *salvation by grace through faith* motivate/inspire you to respond?
9. How does the doctrine of *salvation by grace through faith* help you when you sin and let God down?

If you died today, why would God allow you into heaven? That's the most important question because it reveals the object of your faith. Either your trust is in your good works, or your trust is in Christ's good works on your behalf.