

LEADER DISCUSSION GUIDE

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Fall 2022

Week of September 18th

Stuck in the Middle

Announcements:

- Leadership Preview Night: September 25th 5pm- Invite your City Group! This special service will be a time of vision, music, and prayer where you can get a sneak peek of some exciting things coming up in the life of our church! We would love everyone who calls City Church their home to attend. KiDS programming is available for babies- 3rd grade. Please save the date, add it to your calendar and RSVP online for KiDS!
- Equip classes are currently going on! For more information on the topics provided visit our website. Child care is available, please RSVP so we can plan accordingly.

DISCUSSION FOCUS

Read (Primary Text): Romans 1:16-17

Supporting Text: Philippians 3:8-11

MAIN IDEA: As Christians, we are not just partakers of the Gospel of Jesus Christ but we are ambassadors as we seek to lift up the Gospel in a broken world.

OBSERVE

Read Romans 1:16-17

What is a biblical definition of Righteousness?

- free from guilt or sin in the eyes of a holy God

Looking at these 2 verses, what are some truths about that gospel that shape our lives as we live in between two worlds?

- We are saved by the Gospel
- We stand by the Gospel
- By God's grace we are able to live through the Gospel
- The Gospel is for everyone
- The Gospel is the power of God

Define Righteousness? Where do these verses point us in order to achieve righteousness?

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- free from guilt or sin
- Faith in the Jesus Christ and His death, resurrection, and ascension

What does the phrase, “For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith to faith” mean?

- God declares sinners to be righteous because of Jesus’ work on the cross. From faith to faith emphasizes that the entire process of being declared righteous comes to us from start to finish by faith.

INTERPRET

Read Philippians 3:8-11

Why do we need Christ’s righteousness?

How does suffering for Christ enable us to know Christ more?

How does the hope of your resurrection encourage you in the Christian life and spur you on to share the saving news of the gospel with others?

APPLY

What are some ways a Christian might be ashamed of the gospel?

When feeling ashamed about or discouraged in our faith, how can we find renewed hope and excitement in the gospel message?

Is it necessary for Christians to tell others about the gospel? Why should Christians be ambassadors of the gospel?

Who in your life can you share the gospel message with? (Take intentional time to pray for these people at the end of group)

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City Groups exist as an extension of our Sunday gatherings, providing an environment for spiritual formation through intentional study, prayer, and fellowship, to equip Christ followers to make disciples.