



Post Grad Group Agenda

Lesson 31 – Week of June 1st

1. Mingling and catching up. (10 minutes)

2. Begin with a short prayer for your time together. (5 minutes)

3. Move to a time of accountability. (20 minutes)

i. **Accountability Questions on Holiness & Purity**

- Have you been careful with what you allow into your eyes and ears this week?
- Did you battle lustful thoughts or temptations, and how did you respond?
- Have you been pure in your conduct toward the opposite sex?
- Have you actively fled from temptation rather than lingering near it?
- Have you honored Christ with your body and pursued godly contentment?

ii. **Homework**

- Did you accomplish at least five devotionals this week?
- Did you read *Future Grace*, Chapter 30?

4. Lesson Time. (40-55 minutes)

- i. Is there anything that stood out to you from this chapter? Any questions, observations, or encouragements?
- ii. From pages 370-371. Why did Julius Schniewind’s dying words deeply affect Piper?
Answer: Schniewind groaned “our lowly body” (soma tapeinōseōs)—while dying from disease. Piper was struck by how Schniewind’s suffering was interpreted through the lens of future grace: the promise that Christ will transform our weak bodies into glorious ones.
- iii. From page 371. How does Jesus’ statement “God is not the God of the dead, but of the living” support bodily resurrection? **Answer: Jesus argues that if God is truly the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, then they must continue living before Him. God’s covenant relationship with His people guarantees not extinction but everlasting life and resurrection.**
 - a. From pages 371-372. What does Paul mean when he says “flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God”? **Answer: Paul is not denying bodily resurrection but teaching that our present mortal, decaying condition cannot inherit eternity unchanged. Believers will still have bodies, but they will be transformed into imperishable, glorious resurrection bodies.**

- iv. From pages 375-378. Why does Piper argue that the new earth will be a renewal of the present creation rather than an entirely different creation? **Answer: Drawing from Romans 8 and 2 Peter 3, Piper explains that creation is described as being liberated, regenerated, and restored, not annihilated. Like a seed becoming a plant or a caterpillar becoming a butterfly, there is continuity between the old creation and the new.**
- v. From pages 378-382. What is the ultimate goal of the rebirth of creation according to Piper? **Answer: The ultimate goal is that the earth would be filled with the knowledge and glory of God, and that redeemed humanity would enjoy God forever in a renewed creation where sorrow, death, pain, and sin are gone. The renewed world exists for the eternal enjoyment and display of God’s glory.**
- vi. How often do you meditate on the hope of a new heavens and new earth? How might that shape your priorities today?
- vii. Do you live more like a pilgrim awaiting home or a settler clinging to this world?
- viii. How can the certainty of cosmic renewal energize your joy and your mission?
- ix. In your group’s prayer time, thank God that His grace does not stop with your soul, but extends to everything broken in the world. Pray to live in hopeful anticipation of the day when all will be made new—and to witness with joy to that coming reality.

5. Prayer time (15 minutes)

- i. Ask for specific prayer requests from members.
- ii. Pray for one another as you wish.
- iii. Write down these prayer requests so you can follow up in the next meeting.

HOMEWORK

Week of June 8th, 2026

- i. Read *Future Grace*, Chapter 31 and answer the questions, which can be **found online**.
- ii. Decide who will be facilitating next week. The agenda can be **found online**.

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