

Grace Group Questions

10-07-2018 – John 14:01-07 – The Promise and Protection of Heaven

REMINDER: The purpose of our Grace Groups is to help our church family mature in our love for the Lord and each other. We seek to do this by 1. Practical Sermon Application 2. Practicing the One Another's 3. Providing Care 4. Praying Together 5. Pursuing Discipleship. These questions are simply a tool to help you achieve these purposes. You will notice that these questions are structured according to the three basic principles of Bible study - observation, interpretation, and application.

1. **Sermon Passage:** Read John 14:1-7 & 1 Rom. 8:35-39

- What was the main point of Sunday's sermon?
- Can you outline the sermon?

2. **Observation – What did you hear?**

- As a group read John 3:15; 5:24, 6:27, 47, 51; 10:28; 11:26. What is promised in each of these verses?
- Explain why it is impossible for a Christian who has experienced regeneration to then become unjustified/unadopted/unchosen/unsaved/unborn?
- What are some 'potential circumstances' that might tempt a believer to think they can be separated from the love of God? (cf. Rom. 8:35)
- According to Romans 8, how can the believer have confidence that he possess a future inheritance in heaven?

3. **Interpretation – What does it mean?**

- **John 13:1** - *I Now before the Feast of the Passover, when Jesus knew that his hour had come to depart out of this world to the Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end.* What does "loved them to the end" mean?
- What does the word ὑπερνικάω/hypernikao (more than conquerors) convey? How can believers be more than conquerors?

4. **Application – How does this apply?**

- Describe a time in your life when you felt like God wasn't *for* you but *against* you. How did you correct your thinking about God's love for you? How can reminding yourself of your position in Christ combat false notions of God's love?
- What practical steps can you take to strengthen your confidence in God's promises to love and preserve you to the end?
- How does Christ's love for us (in both extent and force) instruct us to love others?

5. **Prayer ...**