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LIFEgroup Discussion Questions

Alive: Overflowing Grace

April 9, 2017

Intro:

1. See how the week went and how God used them?

Study:

2. Before one embraces the wonder of overflowing grace what must they also realize is an ever-abounding force? What is the difference between sin and trespasses? What are the consequences of the first man's sin (5.12)? What difference does it make whether or not people know God's commands (5.13-14)? How did God's law make things worse (5.20)? How is it different to say, 'I sometimes commit sins' from saying, 'I am a sinner'? Why is the latter so much deeper and more serious?
3. As a result of sin and trespasses what reign in the world? In what ways do we feel the pain of a world under death? How do our responses to pain and death often ignore this reality, and how can we help one another to respond in a way that takes account of needing rescue from sin?
4. What does it mean that grace abounded and now grace reigns through righteousness to eternal through Jesus Christ? How did the one thing Jesus did affect all Christians? Whose righteousness is Paul speaking of that causes grace to abound and dethrone the reign of death so that grace now reigns in one's life (5.20-21; 2 Corinthians 5.21)?
5. Why do we find it hard to believe that Jesus' one act of obedience can change us from sinners to righteous? Why would our pride prefer this change to be done in some other way?
6. Overflowing grace changes people and brings them into a new humanity. How does this effect how we should treat people in the church and also change the way we think about those outside of the church?

Pray.