

Growth Group Study Questions November 2nd

Opener Question:

1. Have you ever had a time where you believed in something deeply, only to discover later that it wasn't actually true? How did that realization shape you?

2. St. Augustine taught that truth is eternal, moral, real, and revealed by God. There are no half or partial, no personal or subjective truths.

In a modern culture that often says, 'my truth' how do we as Christians live out and share the idea of one divine truth?

Read Matthew 7:13-14

3. When Christ speaks in Matthew 7:13-14 about the narrow gate where many are called but few find life, how does the world reject this notion that Christ is the ONLY way? Are there hard truths in this message of salvation?

Read Ephesians 2:8-9

4. Paul declares the truth of your salvation in Ephesians 2:8-9 saying, "...You are saved through faith..." This does not undermine the life and death of Christ but rather fulfills it. How has this truth been revealed within your own life?

5. We can have faith in many things, great and small. But faith when held in reverence of God, saves you. Billy Graham said, "It isn't the size of our faith that's important, but the object of our faith."

What do you often put your faith in? Whom do you put your faith in the most? You or God?

6. Three attributes of faith are humility, hope, and belief. This is a non-exhaustive list and might also include love, joy, and other traits.

What are the attributes of your faith and how do they condition your personal walk with God?

7. Trust is faith lived as modeled by the lived life of Christ. He humbled himself, rested His hope in the Father, and believed that God would resurrect Him from the dead. Christs lived his faith by trusting God through obedience by surrendering Himself to a death on the cross.

How do you live out your faith? Can others see it, what does it look like?

8. The sinner's prayer is an act of faith a lived trust requiring the sinner to submit themselves before God in an open act of obedience and surrender. This act takes humility, hope, and belief. Have you ever played the Sinner's Prayer? What was your experience?