

Small Group Questions

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Series: His-Story:

Message: "You've Got Mail"

This series will seek to overview the Bible – all of it! Of course, that means we cannot hit on everything but we will look at the major events in the story of the Bible. More and more, people feel lost in the pages of their Bible. Many people grew up hearing Bible stories. They can often seem random and disconnected. In reality, the Bible tells one story from beginning to end – the story of God's work to redeem broken humanity. Ultimately, it all points to Jesus. His nature, His character and His work on our behalf fulfills all that came before Him and after Him the constant call is to follow Him.

The series goal is to give an introduction to the Bible to the extent that we all feel familiarity with the big parts of God's unfolding work to bring us to Him and journey with Him. As a church, we lean hard into the Bible as our source of truth about God, the world and ourselves. Our hope is that through this series, people will spend more time in God's Word throughout their week, including in their small group. Since we will be covering large sections of the Bible on Sunday, we cannot bring questions across such a large span. Instead, we will zero in on one key passage each week to unpack in our groups.

May God bless your efforts to shepherd the lives of precious people!

(Questions to get everyone to participate)

1. What was one of the best gifts you ever received as child? What made it so special to you?
2. What positive, beneficial effort happening the world right now would you like to join? Why?

(Questions based on the primary texts)

Read Ephesians 2:1-10

3. What condition are we in on our own? (:1) Do you take this literally or figuratively? Why?
4. What are the characteristics that accompany being spiritually dead? (:2-3)
5. What steps did God take to change our spiritual reality without Him? (:4-10) Make a list.
6. How would you illustrate what grace means based on this passage? What is the relationship between grace and works (what we do)?
7. What do you think :10 means for you personally? What does it look like in your life?
8. Based on :8-10, what is the right motivation for serving? What is one way your group can, or is, serving in the way expressed in this passage?

