



Group Discussion Questions

Profound: The Achievements of Jesus March 15 & 18, 2018

Group Discussion: How much time do you and your family spend on fun? What do you do? What does each person in your family enjoy or find fun?

Read aloud: John 8:12-32

Jesus reiterates the name for God in vs. 12 as, "I Am." Read Exodus 3:1-16 and notice how the name Jesus uses matches the name for God in the Old Testament. Jesus takes the name for God one step further and matches it to the metaphor of light. Not just any light or a light but THE light. What is light? What does light do for us? How does light help us? How is God light? How does He enlighten us? What does it mean to walk in darkness? What kind of darkness is Jesus talking about?

In vs. 14, Jesus says He knows where He came from and where He is going. This speaks to the fact that Jesus is eternal. We are not eternal in terms of having a past before birth, but we are immortal as far as the future is concerned. Why aren't people more concerned about what eternity holds for them? Why do people get so caught up in the here and now of this life and not spend due diligence on what the next life holds? What could we do better so that we live with eternity in mind?

Jesus says he doesn't judge anyone according to the flesh in vs. 15, He says He judges according to the Spirit. That's why Jesus says He's the light of the WORLD, He will judge the world not based on being born Jewish (flesh) but according to whether or not they believe in Him. How do we judge people according to the flesh? What's your tendency? Do you judge people for economics, social etiquette, ethnic, age, clothes, hair, tattoo, piercings?

Finally, in vs. 31-32 Jesus says we are true disciples when we abide in His word and when we understand His word it creates freedom to be and do who God made us to be. What verse or passage of scripture has made a difference or caused transformation in your life?

Family Time: Use a closet or dark room, a flashlight and a game like Candyland, chess, or cards. Try to play the game with your kids without the flashlight!!! Then turn on the flashlight and pass it around and talk about how it's easy to play the game if you have light. If you're playing the game of life isn't it easier to have the light of God's word to guide us and teach us?