



SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS

Part 2 – Toy Story 4: Trash or Treasure?

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Icebreaker: Name your top 3 favorite movies as well as the 1 movie everyone seems to love but you could do without.

1) Read Genesis 2:7 and Isaiah 43:1 aloud as a group. What strikes you most about these passages? And what kind of “real-life” consequences do the truths revealed here have on your everyday life?

2) In *Toy Story 4* the main character, Forky, is on a constant path towards self-sabotage. At one point he even cries out, “I am not a toy. I was made for soup, salad (maybe chili) and then the TRASH!” as he hurls himself from a moving RV.

Are there any self-destructive patterns, habits or thoughts in your own life? If so, what do you suppose is at the root of it all?

Can you think of some passages in the Bible where self-destructive patterns exist and how God intervened?

3) Sociologists say once your basic needs are met (food, shelter, clothing, etc.), the more existential questions begin to emerge: *What is life? Why do I exist? What is my purpose?*

Discuss the similarities and nuance between the two propositions below which attempt to answer some of the questions above. Which (if any) do you find yourself gravitating towards and why?

The chief end of man is to glorify God, [a] and to enjoy him forever. [b]

[a]. Ps. 86:9; Isa. 60:21; Rom. 11:36; 1 Cor. 6:20; 10:31; Rev. 4:11

[b]. Ps. 16:5-11; 144:15; Isa. 12:2; Luke 2:10; Phil. 4:4; Rev. 21:3-4 (*Westminster Catechism*)

“God is most glorified in us when we are most satisfied in him.” (John Piper)

4) Share which of these 3 results from a life aimed toward glorifying God and [by] enjoying Him, you desire most in your life and why:

Losing the pressure to perform (Romans 5:1 NLT)

Feeling accepted rather than ashamed (Romans 8:33-34 NIV)

Boldness in approaching God (Ephesians 3:12 NIV; Romans 8:14-15 ESV; Hebrews 4:16 NLT)

5) Each God-given call is full of different details. One universal element for every believer, however, is to be baptized (Mark 16:16; John 3:5; Acts 22:16; 1 Corinthians 12:13; Galatians 3:27; Colossians 2:12; 1 Peter 3:21).

Join us on Aug 7th at the beach to celebrate people taking solid steps closer to Christ! And if you're interested in doing the same or have questions, please scan the QR code and we'd love to help.

