

1. Opening

Purpose for Digs and Prayer (1 min)

Digs gather to study, pray, and apply the Word of God to our lives. Our hope is that we would increase in our love for God, love for one another, and tell others about Him (Matt 22:37-40; Matt 28:19-20).

Weekly Christian Formation (5 min)

Question 15* Since no one can keep the law, what is its purpose?

Answer: That we may know the holy nature and will of God, and the sinful nature and disobedience of our hearts; and thus our need of a Savior. The law also teaches and exhorts us to live a life worthy of our Savior.

Scripture Reference: Romans 3:20

What does this mean? How does it impact our lives?

Recap (5 min)

Recap the last time your Dig Group gathered. How did you apply God's Word over the last week(s)?

2. Bible Study September 28 (30-45 minutes)

- *Read the passage aloud together.
- *Pray for God's wisdom to rightly understand the passage.

Scripture Reference: Revelation 3:1-6

- 1. What do you know about the location and history of the city of Sardis?
- 2. In verse 1, Jesus refers back to the seven spirits and seven angels from Revelation 1. What is the significance of this reference? What is this an important reminder for the church in Sardis?

- 3. In what ways do individuals and churches have a "reputation of being alive"?
- 4. What parts of your relationship with God are dying and need to be woken up? What parts of your relationship with God are unguarded like the city of Sardis?
- 5. What are the 5 commands given in verses 2-3? What are we to "remember"?
- 6. Where do we find strength to obey these commands? (refer back to v.1)
- 7. What reassurance does Jesus give to all genuine Christ-followers in v.5?
- 8. What do you need to do in order to wake up and guard your relationship with God so that it doesn't die off?

3. Confession and Prayer (30-45 minutes)

Prayer: Reserve plenty of time to pray for one another.

Prayer Challenge: Pray that God would provide opportunities for you to share Christ with people. Pray that you will make the most of every opportunity (Col 4:2-6)

**Weekly Christian Formation Questions are taken from the New City Catechism.