

## **Group Questions – Hebrews 6:17-19 – An Anchor for the Soul**

### **INTRODUCTORY QUESTION**

#### ***How is this COVID-19 virus affecting your life?***

*(This might take up a lot of your time, but it's important to allow people to talk out their experience. This may be the first time some of them have been able to talk about how they are feeling/doing.)*

### **DISCUSSION OF SUNDAY'S TEACHING**

#### **Read** – Hebrews 6:17-19 (NLT)

*God also bound Himself with an oath, so that those who received the promise could be perfectly sure that He would never change His mind. So God has given both His promise and His oath. These two things are unchangeable because it is impossible for God to lie. Therefore, we who have fled to Him for refuge can have great confidence as we hold to the hope that lies before us. This hope is a strong and trustworthy anchor for our souls. It leads us through the curtain into God's inner sanctuary.*

#### ***What do you think “His promise and His oath” is referring to?***

#### ***How does an ANCHOR help a ship?***

#### ***In what ways can HOPE be like an ANCHOR for our soul?***

#### **Read** – Romans 5:1-11

#### ***Based on those verses... what is the “HOPE that does not disappoint”?***

#### ***In what ways can JESUS' LOVE be like an ANCHOR for our soul?***

#### ***Share an example of when HOPE was your anchor in a storm in your life***

*Pastor Nate said, “No circumstance can thwart God's plan & purpose for your life.”*

#### ***Why is that statement so difficult to believe?***

#### ***How does faith in God help us to believe that statement?***

Pastor Nate said, "You can't see Jesus if you're staring at the struggle."

**Why do we tend to stare at the struggle so much?**

**How can we remind ourselves to LOOK TO JESUS rather than stare at the struggle?**

**Read** – John 16:33 (NLT) – Jesus speaking...

*"I have told you all this so that you may have peace in me. Here on earth you will have many trials and sorrows. But take heart, because I have overcome the world."*

**What does Jesus point us to, to be the HOPE in our lives?**

**How does it help you to know that Jesus has OVERCOME THE WORLD?**

**Read** – Isaiah 43:1-2

**How does God's promise, "I will be with you" help you in times of difficulty?**

Pastor Nate drank some DISGUSTING water through a LIFESTRAW filter

**How does Jesus help us filter out the "DISGUSTING" moments of life?**

**Read** – Psalm 34:18

**How does that verse put a positive spin on difficult moments of life?**

**What do you think is the difference between...**

**KNOWING we can find hope in Jesus... and... HAVING hope in Jesus?**

**How can our hope in Jesus be a strong witness in this current crisis?**

Close by praying for us all to... HAVE and DISPLAY... HOPE in Jesus