

MYTHBUSTERS

Preparation

- Read the scripture selection and discussion topics.
- Pray for your meeting and group members.
- Be welcoming and the first to smile!

Follow Up

- Remind people to pray and update the prayer journal if you have one.
- Give praise reports and updates.
- Follow up with your group midweek.

Content Summary

- Throughout the course of church history there have been varying degrees of emphasis on either faith or works. In fact, we often answer the question, “How do I know if I am right with God?” with one or the other. The answer we often give is either “I am a good person”, or “I believe in God.” Neither answer is truly a complete answer by itself. In fact, scripture backs that up. We can often have the perspective that we are either saved by faith or saved by works. We sometimes think of faith as one direction, and works as another. But in reality faith and works are more like two parallel rails on a track. What we believe should go hand and hand with how we live.

Scripture Selections

- James 2:14-18

- Ephesians 2:4-10

Icebreaker

- Talk about a time when someone called your bluff.

Discussion Topics

- How do you feel when you see someone who says one thing but does another? How does that effect those around that person?
- How do you answer the question, “What makes you right with God?” How do faith and works relate to your answer?
- What things in your life have been changed or impacted since you decided to follow Jesus?
- If faith activates action, what action is your faith prompting you to take right now? Do you feel convicted to start doing something different? Do you feel convicted to stop doing something?
- How can we protect each other from hypocritical living?