September 24, 2017 Sermon Notes

Growth Group Discussion

Fall

Week 2

We use these times to *grow spiritually and to deepen our* relationships.

Getting to Know You

What is an event in your life that had a surprising ending? (**Suggestion**: If it works for your group, consider sharing most of the story but leaving the "cliffhanger" ending for after the rest of this discussion:)

Mark 16

Reflection and Discussion

1. What stood out to you most from Sunday's message?

- 2. On Sunday Jamie explained how we always want to know how a story ends. If God allowed you to know the ending of only one piece of your life story, which would it be and why would you want to know?
- 3. Why do you think the book of Mark ends when it does? Does the fact that verses 9-16 do not appear in earlier manuscripts of the Bible cause you to feel any differently about your belief in the Word of God?
- 4. What are two of your biggest fears about your future?

Can you think of a Bible verse that you can go to which will help calm those fears whenever they arise? Share it with the group.

5. What would be the advantages and disadvantages of knowing everything that is going to happen to you in the future?

Family Reminders

Growth Groups

Growth Groups are our way of connecting to one another at the small group level. Most groups meet in homes and include discussion of what we can learn and apply to our lives from the lessons on Sundays (including the questions in this bulletin). To find out more about our growth groups, please visit the Welcome Center at the back of the auditorium.

Camping Trip

Campsite reservations for our annual Camping Trip to Stephen Foster campground in Georgia the weekend of **November 10-12** (Friday and Saturday nights) have begun at the Welcome Center on Sundays. You can pay with cash, credit card, or check. Any additional nights you wish to stay can be made directly with the campground (Stephen C. Foster State Park at 1- 800-864-7275)

Teen Retreat

We'll be hosting a teen retreat serving teens throughout Florida the weekend of **October 27th to 29th**. More info to come!

Special Offering

You can turn in a talent goal card (for the first time or additional goals) and/or give to our special offering this year **AT ANY TIME** during the year, using red envelopes in the pews. There is no special giving date or cutoff date (other than New Year's Eve:)