

Sermon Discussion Questions

Where You're Going and How To Get There

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Sermon Text: Colossians 1:1-14

AGENDA

- Allow people to arrive, talk, and snack – 15 min
- Thank everyone for coming. Open in prayer – 30 sec
- Worship – 5-10 min
- Icebreaker question – 10-20 min
- Discussion Questions – 35-45 min
- Prayer – 20-30 min

INTRODUCTION

Paul wrote to the Colossians to address doctrinal errors that were starting to surface in the church but also to spur the church of Colossae to continued growth in Christ. The theme of Colossians is the Lordship of Jesus Christ and His sufficiency in meeting our needs in every area. Join us over the next several weeks as we unpack the truths God has for us as we study the book of Colossians. (15 May 2022)

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS (35-45 min)

1. Last week you were asked to jot down times in your life where you felt like you had been overlooked for what you'd done. How did you feel during those times? Have there been times when you felt like you were overlooked but then realized that God noticed you and what you were doing? How did it feel during those times?

2. What was something that really stood out to you from the message this week?

3. In Genesis, God created the world and saw that it was good. When he made man, he saw that man was alone and he said that was not good. God decided what was good and bad. How did Adam and Eve change that?

What are some of the ways we see this today? Who is deciding what is good and bad?

4. Matt gave us three principles for getting the wisdom of God into our lives:

1. Get into the market for God. (Are we actually seeking God's wisdom?)
2. Do what he already told you to do. (We want to know the next thing to do but haven't done yet what he already told us to do).
3. Learn to ask the right question. ("Where do I want to be?" and "What do I want to do?" are never the right questions for us to ask).

Icebreakers

Pick one of the icebreaker questions below and go around in a circle (starting with the leader) and have everyone answer. (If you have new members or guests have each person introduce themselves.)

1. If you could paint the world one color, what would it be?
2. What is your most favorite lawn chore during the summer? Your least favorite?
3. What would be your ideal summer vacation?

What do each of these principles mean to you individually? How can we use these principles to help us in our lives?

5. From 2 Samuel 11, we heard the words, “in the spring, at the time when kings go off to war.” But David did not do what he was “supposed” to do. Instead, he stayed in his palace and saw Bathsheba bathing on a rooftop. A series of tragic events followed all because King David was not where he was supposed to be. How might this serve as a warning to us? Are we where we are supposed to be? Are we doing what we are supposed to be doing?

APPLICATION

Take some time this week and reflect on who is making the decision in our lives about what is good and bad. Are you making the decisions on what is good and bad or are you letting God make that decision for you? Maybe there are some areas where you need to turn it over to God and let him make those decisions instead of you. Write some of those down and share them with your group next week.

PRAYER (20-30 min)

Ask for prayer requests.

COMING UP

To join a small group, sign up at vckceast.com or at one of the weekend services. Study materials are available to download on the church website (<https://vckceast.com>) or on the Facebook page.

Men’s Breakfast – 21 May. See Facebook for details (<https://www.facebook.com/groups/nwckc>)

Middle and High School Camp (6th-12th grades) – 31 May-3 June (<https://nwckc.com/youth>)

Kid’s Camp – 6-8 July (<https://subsplash.com/newwinechurch/lb/ev/+8fznc5d>)

FINAL THOUGHT

We don’t always need to know what to do but we need to know who to go to.

FINAL, FINAL THOUGHT

**The main difference between us and God ...
He doesn’t think he’s us.**