



July 16, 2023 – Sermon Discussion Questions

ICEBREAKER

1. Do highs and lows from the previous week!
2. What's a piece of technology from your childhood that isn't used today that you don't miss?

DIG A LITTLE DEEPER

1. Review the message –
 - a. Does the gap between your world and a kid/teens world make you feel like you have nothing to offer the younger generation?
 - b. Peter was a man of many mistakes and shortcomings. Yet God used him to build the church!
 - c. Peter met a lame man and he healed him in Jesus name.
 - d. Don't give the next generation what you don't have, give them what Jesus has given you!
2. Read Matthew 16:15-19 and read Luke 22:54-62 out loud
 - a. Why do you think Peter was so quick to deny Jesus?
 - b. Why do you think Jesus chose Peter to lead the church knowing that Peter would deny him?
 - c. When do you feel like you aren't enough for God to use you? What insecurities would lead you to believe that?
3. Read Acts 3:1-6 out loud
 - a. The lame man had probably been sitting at that temple gate for decades waiting for help. He was existing in a world that was incapable of giving him what he needed. Healing. What challenges do kids and teenagers experience in this world today that they are incapable of overcoming on their own?
 - b. Can you name caring adults in your life who did something small that had a big impact on you?
 - c. What gifts has God given you? Are there ways you can use those gifts to serve the next generation of kids and teenagers?
4. As a group talk about the three options Eric mentioned and how you can individually take action steps in one of those areas.
 - a. Love the next generation – This may be hard to define practically but it may be helpful to identify a kid or teenager in your life that you are already connected to (family member, friends kid, YOUR OWN KID! Etc.) and then determine practical ways you can show love to them.
 - b. Time – Will you consider serving in our NextGen ministry at Grace? No matter your gifting we have places for you to serve. You can go to gracebible.church/serve to get plugged in right away!
 - c. Prayer – Would your group commit to pray for kids and teenagers for the next week? You can pray specifically for a kid/teen in your life, for the challenges they face every day, or that God would give you opportunities to serve them in a new way.

CLOSING

1. Take time to pray for the kids and teenagers in your life. If they were sitting with you now how would pray for them?