# **SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS**

#### Sermon At a Glance

God's plan for our communion is to remind us of the sacrifice of Jesus and to draw us into deeper fellowship with Him and with one another. Communion isn't just a ritual — it's a moment of reflection, gratitude, and renewal where we remember Christ's love, examine our hearts, and recommit ourselves to living in unity as His body.

## Ice Breaker 1

What is something (else 😁) about yourself that the group might not know about you?

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### Ice Breaker 2

What home cooked meal do you most often crave? Microwaved meals don't count.

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#### **Your Own Words**

In your own words, what does
Communion mean to you? What are you
most often reflecting on during the
communion time?

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# **Sacrificial System**

Please read Hebrews 10:1. This verse describes the law as "a shadow of good things to come." What does this reveal about the purpose of the Old Testament sacrificial system, and how does it point to Christ as the "real thing"?

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# **How You Feel**

Please read Hebrews 10:1-4. The writer says that "it is not possible that the blood of bulls and goats should take away sins." Why was this system insufficient to deal with sin and the human conscience?



# **Old Systems**

The early believers in the book of Hebrews were tempted to return to old religious practices under pressure. What are some "old systems" or habits we tend to return to today when life gets hard? Why do we do that?



# **What Changed**

- 1) Have you experienced God changing a mindset and/or desire recently? If so, what desire or mindset has changed?
- 2) What specifically brought about that change?

# **Imputed**

Please read Hebrews 10:10–14. Believers are said to be "sanctified" and "perfected forever" through Christ's single offering. What is meant by "imputed holiness,"?



# **Produced Or Imputed**

What is the difference between imputed righteousness and self-produced righteousness?

What might this difference look like in our life and church?

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# Live In It

When I live in Christ's imputed righteousness, how might that change the way I feel about hardship? How might it change the way I approach God?

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# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

# **MEMBERSHIP CLASS**

Sunday, October 19

We believe every Christian should have a local church that they call home and Membership Class helps you in that process.

# SUPER SATURDAY

Saturday, October 25

We'll spend the morning distributing flyers and talking to people and then meet back at the church for lunch and fun!

# BAKE SALE (TEEN CAMP FUNDRAISER)

Sunday, October 19

Every baked goodie you contribute helps fuel life-changing opportunities for our teens. To donate baked goods, text Pastor Ethan Amasula at 203.768.7625.

# PLEASE DONATE TO SMALL GROUPS CHILDCARE



Every week Desert Hills Baptist Church pays for childcare for many of our small groups. Your gift helps provide safe, loving childcare so parents can fully engage in small group. Every donation makes a difference in helping families grow together in faith!

# MISSIONARY HIGHLIGHT

#### Jason and Ana Russell—Your Missionaries to Papua New Guinea

Jason and Ana Russell have been traveling full-time on furlough for the past six months, including a visit to Desert Hills. Through the generous giving of supporters—including a special gift from Desert Hills—over \$100,000 was raised for ministry projects. These funds helped purchase a new truck in Papua New Guinea, more than 3,000 Bibles, over 30,000 Gospel tracts, 1,000 discipleship books, hundreds of Bible Institute library resources, and various tools for their upcoming move and construction in Morehead.

The Russells are deeply humbled by the faith and generosity of those who support their ministry in PNG. Prayer Requests: The Russells are nearing the end of their furlough and are ready to return to Papua New Guinea but have not yet received their visas, according to our most recent information. In October and November, they plan to drill for water in eight villages. If you would like to join them, please let them know.

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