



GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE – CHAIN BREAKER - Wk 1

ARRIVAL / CONNECTING and SNACK: (15 minutes)

Spend the first 15 minutes or so of your time together catching up and socializing with one another. Follow up on prayer requests and any action steps from your last time together.

SHORT OPENING PRAYER FOR YOUR TIME TOGETHER: (2 minutes)

SCRIPTURE and DISCUSSION: (50 minutes) Have someone read each Scripture passage slowly, then allow for some silent reflection before moving on. If you like, re-read each section of Scripture, then discuss the questions that follow.

“For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.” - Rom 6:23

- Why is it so hard for people to accept the free gift of salvation that God offers through Christ?
- In 2-3 minutes, describe your salvation experience? When did Christ come into your life?

*“...The Lord, the Lord, the compassionate and gracious God, slow to anger, abounding in love and faithfulness, maintaining love to thousands, and forgiving wickedness, rebellion and sin. **Yet he does not leave the guilty unpunished.**” - Exodus 34:6-7*

- What aspect of God’s character requires that God punish those who break His righteous commands?

“For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God. He was put to death in the body but made alive in the Spirit.” - 1 Peter 3:18

- How did God reconcile the tension between His justice and love through Christ’s work on the cross?

“If you declare with your mouth, ‘Jesus is Lord,’ and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you profess your faith and are saved. As Scripture says, ‘Anyone who believes in him will never be put to shame.’ For there is no difference between Jew and Gentile—the same Lord is Lord of all and richly blesses all who call on him, for, ‘Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.’” - Romans 10:9-13

- What does it mean to “believe in your heart?”

Justification is the declaring of a person to be just or righteous. God declares people who put their faith in Jesus as morally righteous.

- Why will those who put their faith in Jesus never be put to shame?
- Why does verse 13 give every Christian tremendous hope? (Read it out loud....this is a verse that describes the fact that God forever saves those who call upon Him.)

SURRENDER: (10 minutes) In light of this discussion, for what would you like personal prayer?

CLOSING PRAYER: (10 minutes) Spend time praying for and encouraging one another.