

CG DISCUSSION GUIDE

Alive in Christ



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<p><i>Accountability and Celebration</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For those who went the extra mile last week and practiced silence on top of what you were doing devotionally, ask them how it was practicing the spiritual discipline of silence. <p><i>Prayer</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pray for energy and motivation to practice our spiritual disciplines in general. • Pray for thirst and hunger for the presence of God. • Pray that the spiritual disciplines we practice would actually make us more aware of God's presence. 	<p>Ephesians 2:1-10</p> <p><i>What does the passage say?</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In the first two verses the passage says we were wandering. What does it mean to wander according to Paul? • Notice the movement of the passage. There is a clear transition of death to life. How are we alive according to Paul? (Try not to have people just say "because Jesus!" even though that is true...dig deeper...for example, talk about what grace is, what faith is, what it means to receive a gift, etc.) • The passage says that we are saved by grace through faith, but it 	<p><i>Practice</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Share a few stories of transformation from sins and transgressions to life in Christ. • Share a "But God" moment like John preached about (a story where God really had to show up in your life and he did just that and he did it at just the right time). • Discuss what "walk in God's grace" looks like and how you can apply it. <p><i>Plan</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Share one of the stories you heard with someone that is not part of your group as an encouragement.

	<p>also says we are prepared for good works. How does that work?</p> <p><i>What does it say about God?</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• How does the passage describe God's mercy? <p><i>What does it say about us?</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• What is one reason God has made grace available only through faith? (v. 9) What does that say about us?• God has already seated us with Christ (v.6). Where is Christ seated? How is he seated? And what do you think that means for us? How should that encourage us?	
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