

The questions below are intended to be used by Saylorville Church Cell Groups as they meet during the week following the Sunday morning message at Saylorville. The intent is not for groups to answer every question, but for leaders to use the questions as a guide as they tailor the discussion to the needs of their unique group.

CONNECT WITH YOUR GROUP (10-15 MINUTES)

- Pick a few people in your group to share 30-second salvation testimonies without using these phrases:
 - “I asked Jesus into my heart;” “I prayed a prayer;” “I grew up in a Christian home.”
- Can you think of other “Christian cliché” phrases that we might use without thinking about them?
 - Why is it so hard for some of us to talk about our salvation without using language like this?

APPLY THE BIBLE (45-60 MINUTES)

- At the beginning of his message, Pastor Pat told a story about a young woman who “prayed a prayer” when she was a child but didn’t live for Christ until she was truly saved later in life. Can you relate?
- **Read 2 Corinthians 6:1-2**
- In his message, Pastor Pat shared an inspiration, a warning, and a plea from the Apostle Paul:

#1 - *The Inspiration: Soul-winners are working together with God (Vs. 1):*

- Does it encourage you OR challenge you to read that Christians are co-workers with God? Why?
- As God’s co-workers, what is the “job”? What is our part of the job? What is God’s part?
- Describe the times when you feel like you are most effective as a co-worker with God.
 - What are some habits you can form in order to continue being effective with God this week?

#2 - *The Warning: Grace claimed is not grace in vain (Vs. 1):*

- The biblical idea of “grace” is God’s undeserved favor, giving us divine enablement to believe and live out the gospel, extended to us through Jesus. How have you seen the following “grace effects” impact your life recently?
 - Grace saves us (Ephesians 2:8-9); changes us (1 Corinthians 15:10); transforms us (2 Corinthians 5:17); teaches us (Titus 2:11-14); gives us strength (2 Corinthians 12:9); etc.
- According to this passage, is it possible to be a true Christian and NOT experience the effects of grace on your life? Why or why not? (If you can’t see the consistent results of grace in your life, are you sure that you are a Christian?)

#3 - *The Plea: This is your time. Believe the gospel. Live the gospel. Preach the gospel. (Vs. 2):*

- C.H. Spurgeon said, “*If God has called you to be a minister of the gospel of Christ, don’t stoop to become a king.*” How do you react to the implication that nothing in this world is more important than sharing the gospel with others?
- Think about some people who are far from God that you’ve been praying for, investing into, and sharing Christ with. How does the fact that “now is the day of salvation” impact your witnessing efforts with those men and women?
- Since there is a real sense of gospel urgency in this passage, how will you “carpe diem” (seize the day) as a parent, a sibling, a neighbor, a employee, a spouse, a cell group participant, etc.?

What is one specific action step you will take to apply to God’s Word this week?

PRAY TOGETHER (5-15 MINUTES)

- Pray that your group will respond to the grace of God in your day-to-day activities this week.

