

The questions below are designed 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 unique needs of their group. The Sunday message and these questions can be found each week at www.saylorvillechurch.com/sermons.

CONNECT WITH YOUR GROUP (10-15 MINUTES)

- Would you consider yourself to be an outdoors person? Why or why not?
- What is the most memorable sight you've ever seen in nature?

APPLY THE BIBLE (45-60 MINUTES)

- **Remember** what you talked about last time you met. Anything you need to follow up on as a group?
- **Review** the notes you took on Sunday. What is **one thing** that sticks out to you about what you heard?
- **Read** Titus 2:1-10. In his message, Pastor Pat gave us **five ingredients of a healthy church**.

INTRO: *Pastor Pat showed several pictures of close-ups of flowers on Sunday morning. He said, "The greater beauty is not just in the petals, but in the whole." In the same way, when we look at the church, the picture is even more beautiful when we see the whole picture.*

A Healthy, Flowering Church Consists Of:

- 1. Older Men...who are examples to the church as a whole (Titus 2:1-2)**
 - a. Why does a church need men who are experienced, seasoned, and wise? What's at risk if older men don't fulfill their role in a church?
 - b. If you are in this category, how do you respond to this? "If you want to win the hearts in front of you, then own the sins behind you."
- 2. Older Women...who are available as teachers to the younger women (Titus 2:3-4)**
 - a. Why does a church need women who are reverent, disciplined, and godly teachers? What's at risk if older women don't fulfill their role in a church?
 - b. If you are in this category, what's something in your past that God could use to encourage a younger woman?
- 3. Younger Women...who are known for their impact in their home (Titus 2:4-5)**
 - a. Why does a church need women who are diligent, godly wives, and wise mothers? What's at risk if younger women don't fulfill their role in a church?
 - b. If you are in this category (whether you're married, have kids, or single), is your focus on your reputation, money, your job, your physical appearance? Are any of these things idols to you?
- 4. Younger Men...who are mature in their service for Christ (Titus 2:6-8)**
 - a. Why does a church need young men who are humble, servant-minded, and mature? What's at risk if younger men don't fulfill their role in a church?
 - b. If you are in this category, how do you define your effectiveness as a young man? What's the difference between culture's view of successful men, and Scripture's view?
- 5. Servants...who are godly in their response to adversity (Titus 2:9-10)**
 - a. According to this passage, what does it mean to "adorn the doctrine of God"?
 - b. How do you typically respond to adversity? What might you do differently next time?

PRAY TOGETHER (5-15 MINUTES)

- Pray that we will each play our part eagerly and humbly in the family.

