

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)

- Is there anything that you are “obsessed” with? What is something you can’t do without every day?

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 2:11-15. In his message, Pastor Pat gave us **three characteristics of the grace of God**.

INTRO:

- What part does grace play in salvation according to Ephesians 2:8-9?
- How does grace still work in our lives after salvation according to 2 Corinthians 12:7-10?

The Grace Of God:

1. Brings Salvation To The Lost (Titus 2:11a)

- a. Paul tells Titus that “the grace of God has *appeared*, bringing salvation for all people...” Tell your group about when the grace of God first appeared to you in salvation.
- b. Every Christ-follower in your group has a unique story, but there are similarities. What are some things that all of your testimonies have in common?
- c. Who will you tell this week about the grace of God in your life?

2. Is Universal In Its Appeal (Titus 2:11b)

- a. Those who don’t know Jesus are walking in darkness. What are some ways people (or you yourself) try to light their own path without following Jesus?
- b. What would you say to the person that says, “I don’t tell people about Jesus because people who are elect will be saved whether I witness to them or not.”?

3. Trains Those Who Are Saved (Titus 2:12-15)

- a. **The grace of God teaches us to say “No” to things keep us from being more like Jesus:**
 - a. *Ungodliness* (vs. 12) is living without a constant awareness of God. Be honest - how often throughout the day are you aware of God’s presence? When are you most/least aware of him?
 - b. *Worldly passions* (vs. 12) are the desires that we put above our desire for Christ. Talk about something in your life that you’re tempted to prioritize above your relationship with Jesus.
- b. **The grace of God teaches us to say “Yes” to things that help make us more like Jesus:**
 - a. *Living in light of Jesus’ return* (vs. 13). How should the promise of Jesus’ return change the way you live this week?
 - b. *Loving in light of Jesus’ love* (vs. 14). Do you find yourself leaning more toward conforming to the world or Christlikeness? When have you had victory?
 - c. *Working in light of Jesus’ ownership* (vs. 14b). What does it mean to you that you are a possession of Jesus if you are saved?

If you will not have Jesus as your Lord, then you do not have Jesus as your Savior. A.W. Tozer

PRAY TOGETHER (5-15 MINUTES)

- Praise God together for his grace that saves AND sustains us!

