Community Group Study Questions

For the week of March 22, 2020

GETTING TO KNOW YOU

- What has been the most difficult and the easiest thing to adjust to in the changes we have faced over these last few weeks?
- 2 Describe a time when you experienced kindness from someone and did not deserve it.
- Looking back at your notes from this week's teaching, was there anything you heard for the first time or that caught your attention, challenged or confused you?

TITUS

Read through Titus 3:1-8 and then answer the following questions. If you memorized verses 4-7, take some time to share it with others.

Titus 3:1-8 Remind them to be subject to rulers and authorities, to obey, to be ready for every good work, ² to speak evil of no one, to be peaceable, gentle, showing all humility to all men. ³ For we ourselves were also once foolish, disobedient, deceived, serving various lusts and pleasures, living in malice and envy, hateful and hating one another.

⁴ But when the kindness and the love of God our Savior toward man appeared, ⁵ not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy He saved us, through the washing of regeneration and renewing of the Holy Spirit, ⁶ whom He poured out on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Savior, ⁷ that having been justified by His grace we should become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

- ⁸ This is a faithful saying, and these things I want you to affirm constantly, that those who have believed in God should be careful to maintain good works. These things are good and profitable to men.
 - 1. Why is it important for Christians to be reminded what they used to be like? When you compare who you are now to who you were before Christ, how great is that change (Vast or Small?)
 - 2. Considering who you used to be, describe your spiritual growth in relation to God, to yourself, and to others.
 - 3. The trinity (Father, Son, Holy Spirit) is found throughout this passage. Read through the passage again, but underline the roles that the three persons of the trinity play in our salvation and summarize it in your own words.

4. Who does Paul say carries out the work of salvation in verse 5? By what means doe He save?
5. What does it mean that we are justified by grace?
6. What does verse 7 teach is the end result of salvation?
TAKING IT HOME
1 How would you explain God's kindness to someone who is not a Christian?
If you have not memorized Titus 3:5-7, purpose to memorize it this week. Find one or two other people in your group to hold you accountable to rehearse and memorize it.
3 Looking back on this week's sermon and study, what's most important for you to remember?
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